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workers, violating the provisions of the Act. On this ground, will the Government be pleased to give a general directive to the managements that they should not dismiss workers when there is a case pending before the court? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Whatever might have been the merits of this case, this was referred to the Industrial Tribunal and the Industrial Tribunal dismissed this petition as having no merits. Therefore, there is no question of issuing general instructions on account of this case."

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Slums in the City.

236 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of private slums in the City of Madras the dwellers of which have applied to the Government for acquisition and assignment of house-sites to them;

(b) the situation and names of the slums;

(c) the action taken by the Government on each case; and

(d) whether any special officer has been appointed to carry out the provisions of the Madras Slum Improvement Act of 1954?

A.—(a) Slum dwellers of twenty-eight slums have applied.

(b) The following are the names of the 28 slums :—

- 1 Anjaneyar Koil Hutting Area.
- 2 Mohanamudaly Garden.
- 3 Vazhapucheri.
- 4 Good Pot Pallam.
- 5 Salai Cheri.
- 6 Hutting area in Strahans Road Third Lane.
- 7 Thennamattai Thottam.
- 8 Parasuramar Easwaran Koil Hutting Ground.
- 9 Lock Cheri.
- 10 Thennanthoppoo Hutting Ground.
- 11 Obbrapalayam, Brick Kiln Road.
- 12 Mangalapuri Fourth Street Hutting Ground.
- 13 Subramania Thottam Hutting Ground.
- 14 Teds Garden Hutting Ground.
- 15 Kanniah Chetty Hutting Ground.
- 16 Foxen Street Hutting Ground.
- 17 Franswa Square.
- 18 Ponnuvelu Gramani Thottam.
- 19 Chinna Chembarambakkam.
- 20 Ramaswami Garden.
- 21 Mackays Garden.
- 22 Halls Garden.
- 23 Rangoon Street.

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- 24 Bhojaraja Nagar.
- 25 Kattur Nalla Muthuharam Street.
- 26 Govindachari Street.
- 27 Old Slaughter House Road.
- 28 Natesa Nagar.

- (c) It is proposed to acquire the lands covered by the slums under the Madras Slum Improvement (Acquisition of Land) Act, 1954. As acquisition of slums under this Act should be done in an orderly manner according to the urgency of each case and the availability of funds with the Government, it is proposed to draw up a programme of acquisition. The Commissioner, Corporation of Madras, has submitted necessary proposals in consultation with the Collector of Madras, Director of Harijan Welfare and Director of Town-Planning. The proposals are under consideration.

- (d) No, Sir.

Agricultural loans.

237 Q.—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many agriculturists were given loans in 1954 for the purchase of pumpsets in the State, districtwar for purposes of cultivation; and

(b) how many agriculturists in Vriddhachalam taluk in South Arcot district were given loan for purchasing pumpsets?

A.—(a) & (b) The answer ^a is placed on the table of the House.

Government and aided canteens.

238 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the (number of) canteens run by the Government and the canteens aided with Government grants and loans?

A.—The Government are not running any canteens in any of the Government industrial and commercial undertakings, nor are there such canteens run solely with Government grants. There are, however, canteens in the Government Press, the Government Bus Transport, the Government Electricity Department at Madras and Mettur which are run by the workers themselves. The Government have given assistance in the shape of grants and interest-free loans for effecting improvements to canteens and purchase of utensils, furniture, etc., for some of those canteens.

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Scholarships sanctioned for schools in Ponneri taluk.

239 Q.—SRI O. CHENGAM PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of residential and non-residential scholarships sanctioned by the Director of Harijan Welfare and Welfare Officer in the Ponneri taluk for high schools and middle schools in the year 1954–55; and

(b) the amount of grants sanctioned?

A.—(a) & (b) Twenty-four non-residential scholarships involving a sum of Rs. 744–6–0 were sanctioned. No residential scholarships were sanctioned.

Cultivable waste lands, Ponneri taluk.

240 Q.—SRI O. CHENGAM PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of cultivable waste lands in the Ponneri taluk; and

(b) the schemes and programme of the Government to give these cultivable waste lands to the landless poor and Harijans in the Ponneri taluk in 1952?

A.—(a) Four hundred and ninety-one acres.

(b) There were 11 assignment proposals in the year 1952 of which nine proposals are for landless poor and two proposals are for Harijans. Seven cases have been disposed of already and the remaining four cases are under the consideration of the Collector of Chingleput.

Drinking water-wells for Kulapalayam village, Tindivanam taluk.

241 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether any complaint has been received in 1953–54 from the villagers of Kulapalayam village, in Tindivanam taluk, regarding the non-completion of the drinking water-well in their village; and

(b) when the well is likely to be completed and made available for public use?

A.—(a) No, Sir.

(b) The well will be completed soon.

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Cases of arson, etc., filed against the agriculturists in Tanjore district.

242 Q.—SRI A. K. SUBBIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many cases of arson, assault, murder, rioting, looting, trespass and eviction by force from huts have been filed by the police against agriculturists in the Tanjore district from 1st April 1952 to 1st October 1954; and

(b) how many cases ended in acquittal and how many in conviction?

A.—(a) & (b) It is presumed the Member has in mind cases arising out of agrarian disputes in Tanjore district during the period indicated by him. The relevant details are in the statement below :—

STATEMENT.

Number of criminal cases filed against agricultural labourers for offences of	(1)	Number of cases which have ended in		
		Conviction.	Acquittal.	Discharge.
		(2)	(3)	(4)
Arson	6	2	..	4
Assault	16	9	2	4
Murder	2	..	2	..
Rioting	69	27	13	19
Looting	16	7	4	5
Trespass	26	13	6	4

NOTE.—(i) Two cases of rioting were withdrawn.

(ii) A case of assault, eight cases of rioting and three cases of trespass are *sub. judice*.

(iii) In addition to the cases referred to above, 17 cases under section 107, Criminal Procedure Code, were initialed resulting in the binding over of the respondents.

Elementary schools in the State.

243 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the number of elementary schools in the Madras State as on 1st December 1954 managed by (i) Government, (ii) Local Boards, and (iii) private management?

A.—Government	...	...	...	...	1,202
District Board	...	...	...	...	9,764
Municipal	...	...	...	...	989
Panchayat	...	...	...	...	993
Private bodies	...	...	...	...	10,420
Total					23,368

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Sale of insecticides in 1954.

244 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the total quantity of insecticides sold by Government in 1954; and

(b) the amount realized therefrom?

A.—(a) The total quantity sold was 736 tons 89 lb.

(b) The total amount realized was Rs. 6,23,085-1-1.

Half-yearly irrigation conferences, Cuddalore.

245 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the various subjects discussed and resolutions passed in the Half-Yearly Irrigation Conferences held at Cuddalore in South Arcot district during 1952 and 1953;

(b) how many of the works recommended at these conferences are under execution and how many of them have not yet been started; and

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay?

A.—(a) to (c) The particulars are given in the appendix ^a.

Leprosy in South Kanara district.

246 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the various steps taken by the Government to prevent and control leprosy in South Kanara district so far?

A.—1. The Government have taken the following measures to prevent and control leprosy in South Kanara district:—

In 1950, a Special Leprosy Health Inspector was appointed for Shirva area for carrying out a thorough investigation into the incidence of leprosy in the area. Shirva and 19 adjoining villages with a radius of 5 miles comprising a population of 54,562 were taken up for extensive survey and an intensive survey of Shirva village was also done. A total of 185 leprosy cases was discovered in the area of which 68 were of the infective type.

In April 1951 a scheme for the prevention and control of leprosy in the Kumbla firka was sanctioned for six months. The scheme is being continued.

^a Printed as Appendix VII on pages 171-178 infra.

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There is a Government aided leprosy hospital at Kankanady with accommodation for 142 patients. There is also a leprosy treatment centre at Badiakda which is run by the Grama Seva Samaj and subsidized by the Government.

Treatment for leprosy is being given in the Government Wenlock Hospital for out-patients and various other dispensaries of Government and district board.

2. Besides the steps taken by Government the Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh has undertaken—

- (1) to train doctors in leprosy work in St. Joseph's Leprosy Hospital and Asylum, Kankanady;
- (2) supply of sulphone drugs to all doctors in the district who are prepared to take up the treatment of leprosy patients who are too poor to pay; and
- (3) education and propaganda work in leprosy.

Reservation of seats for Harijans in the Government professional colleges in 1953-54.

247 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many seats were reserved for Harijans in the various Government professional colleges in the State in the year 1953-54;

(b) how many applications were received for those seats; and

(c) how many of them were selected?

A.—(a) to (c) A statement ^a is placed on the table of the House.

Schemes for development works in Walluvanad taluk.

248 Q.—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the names of the schemes recommended by the Local Development Works Advisory Committee of Walluvanad taluk, Malabar district, for the years 1953-54 and 1954-55;

(b) the schemes for which sanction has been accorded by the Government;

(c) the schemes under which works have been completely executed; and

(d) the schemes with reference to which works have not been executed, for the above two years separately?

A.—(a) to (d) The information is furnished in the statement ^b annexed.

^a Printed as Appendix VIII on page 178 infra.

^b Printed as Appendix IX on pages 179-183 infra.

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Buffer area lands in the Muliya village in Kasargod taluk.

249 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

- (a) the number of occupants of the buffer areas in the Muliya village, Kasargod taluk, South Kanara district;
- (b) the extent of land involved in each case;
- (c) how long the lands have been in their possession;
- (d) the nature of improvements made by them; and
- (e) the reasons for not assigning these lands to the occupants?

A.—(a) Thirty.

(b) to (e) The particulars are given in the statement^a annexed.

Legal aid to Harijans in Malabar.

250 Q.—SRI O. KORAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

- (a) how many applications were received from Harijans in Malabar for legal aid in the year 1953-54;
- (b) in how many cases legal aid was given; and
- (c) how many applications were rejected?

A.—(a) Four.

(b) Nil.

(c) Four.

Salary of masalchis in Munsifs' Courts.

251 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the salary of masalchis employed in Munsifs' Courts, Sub-Courts and the Revenue Departments in the mufassal before 1st March 1950;

(b) whether there was any reduction in their pay from 1st March 1950 and, if so, how many were affected;

(c) whether masalchis in Munsifs' Courts, Sub-Courts, Judicial Magistrates' Courts and the Revenue Department are drawing uniform scale of salary now; and

(d) whether the masalchis are eligible for any privilege or casual leave with or without pay?

A.—(a) to (d) A statement^b is placed on the table of the House.

^a Printed as Appendix X on pages 184-185 infra.

^b Printed as Appendix XI on pages 186-190 infra.

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Workshops for cottage industries.

252 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether general purpose workshops are to be opened for developing cottage industries; and

(b) if so, the places selected (i) in Tamil Nad and (ii) in Malabar and South Kanara?

A.—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two engineering workshops are proposed to be set up. One will be in Gandhigram in Periyar Project area in Madurai district, and the other in Malampuzha Project area in Malabar district. The exact place in Malampuzha Project area has not yet been selected.

House-sites for Harijans at Ambal village, Tanjore district.

253 Q.—SRI M. C. MUTHUKUMARASWAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) how many house-sites were granted at Ambal village, Ambalavattam, Nannilam taluk, Tanjore district, for housing the Harijans in 1954;

(b) when the house-sites were granted and whether the Harijans have constructed huts on them;

(c) whether any member of this House applied to the Government for financial help to some of these Harijans towards construction of the houses; and

(d) if so, what action has been taken by the Government in the matter?

A.—(a) Nil.

(b) In December 1952, 143 house-sites were granted to Harijans but in 1953 the orders of assignment granted to 12 Harijans were cancelled as they refused to occupy the sites. None of them has so far constructed houses on the sites allotted to them.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Registrar of Co-operative Societies has been asked to submit for the consideration of the Government proposals for the formation of a co-operative society. The proposals are awaited.

Hill tribes in Malabar.

254 Q.—SRI O. KORAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) what are the schemes proposed or undertaken by the Government to improve the conditions of the hill tribes in Malabar;

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(b) how many members there are in the Tribes Advisory Council in the State;

(c) the number of meetings held by the Council in 1954; and

(d) the recommendations made by the Council?

A.—(a) A list ^a of schemes undertaken or proposed by the Government to improve the conditions of the hill tribes is given in the Appendix XII-A.

(b) Seven.

(c) One.

(d) Recommendations ^b made are detailed in the Appendix XII-B.

Government Hospital Advisory Committee, Tiruvallur.

255 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the last date on which the Advisory Committee of the Government Hospital, Tiruvallur, met;

(b) whether any resolutions were passed by the Committee at that meeting and whether copies of those resolutions were received by the Government; and

(c) if so, what those resolutions were and the steps taken by the Government to comply with the requests of the Committee?

A.—(a) 24th January 1955.

(b) & (c) A statement ^c is placed on the table of the House.

Prosecution of village officers for misappropriation of revenue collections.

256 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of village munsifs and karnams including those in the estates taken over by the Government prosecuted in this State for having misappropriated the land revenues collected from the agriculturists in the year 1953-54;

(b) the number of village officers convicted; and

(c) the number of village officers acquitted?

4.—(a) to (c) One hundred and thirty-five village officers were prosecuted during 1953-54. Out of this, 44 cases ended in conviction, and 19 in acquittal. In 9 cases, the prosecution had to be withdrawn due to the death of the village officers or to the subsequent decision that criminal action was not necessary. In the remaining cases, the results of the criminal cases are awaited.

^a Printed as Appendix XII-A on page 191 infra.

^b Printed as Appendix XII-B on page 192 infra.

^c Printed as Appendix XIII on page 193 infra.

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Recruitment of Police constables after August 1947.

257 Q.—SRI K. M. SEETHI SAHIB : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of persons recruited as Police constables in the State after August 1947;

(b) the number of Police Sub-Inspectors appointed by direct recruitment after August 1947; and

(c) the number of Muslims recruited and appointed under (a) and (b)?

A.—(a) 8,615;

(b) 455; and

(c) the number of Muslims recruited and appointed after August 1947 is—

(i) as Police constables	...	...	286
(ii) as Sub-Inspectors of Police	...	...	3

Distribution of poramboke lands in Kurumbranad taluk, Malabar district.

258 Q.—SRI K. MOIDU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of poramboke lands distributed to peasants in Kurumbranad taluk, Malabar district, in 1952-53 and 1953-54; and

(b) the extent of lands given to the Harijans in Kurumbranad taluk during the above period?

A.—(a) & (b) No Government lands were assigned in Kurumbranad taluk during 1952-53 and 1953-54.

Reconstruction of Mangattiry-Paravanna-Kottayi road in Ponnani taluk.

259 Q.—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether the Government received any representation from Sri P. K. Gopalakrishnan, M.L.A., on 13th December 1954 for the reconstruction of Mangattiry-Paravanna-Kottayi road in Ponnani taluk, Malabar, and if so, the action taken thereon?

A.—Yes, Sir. The member is referred to Letter No. 121503, L.V./55-2, L.A., dated 12th March 1955, in which a reply was given to his representation.

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Village improvement works in Uthukottai Block under the National Extension Scheme.

260 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the works connected with the improvement of villages included in Uthukottai Block under the National Extension Scheme have been completed;

(b) the extent of improvements made to the Poondi area and to the reservoir under the National Extension Service Scheme; and

(c) the expenditure incurred by the Government in the years 1953–55?

A.—(a) The block was launched only on 2nd October 1954 and the period of working the block is three years. The works will be taken up and completed after a plan for the area has been drawn up.

(b) The Poondi area belongs to the Tiruvallur and not to the Uthukottai Block. The details of improvements made to the Poondi area and to the reservoir are furnished below :—

Name of the village.	Details of improvements effected.
Poondi	.. A road from Poondi Reservoir was sanctioned and the same is in progress. An Adult Literacy School was opened for this village.
Ariyathur	.. A drinking-water pond was repaired.
Neyveli	.. A reading room was constructed and a school with one teacher is functioning in this village.
Nambakkam	.. A post office was recommended and opened recently. Adult Literacy School is also functioning in this village.

In addition to the above works, takkavi loans were given to the ryots and periodical sanitation drives conducted besides the drive for popularization of the Japanese method of rice cultivation done in these areas. There are some more proposals included in the waiting list of the overall plan for Ariyathur village and Ariyathur cheri. A road from Nambakkam to Thimmaboopalapuram has also been proposed for execution and if this is formed it will connect the Poondi Reservoir to Nambakkam road which is now under formation. On completion of these roads, it is expected that about 8,000 people will be benefited with transport facility for conveying their produce to Tiruvallur and Madras.

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No improvements to the reservoir are contemplated in the National Extension Service Plan as this is in charge of the Public Works (Irrigation) Department for purposes of maintenance.

(c) The expenditure incurred in Tiruvallur Block during the years 1953-54 and 1954-55 up to 31st January 1955 are given below :—

					RS.
1953-54	...	...	...	...	38,393
1954-55	...	...	...	...	1,43,838

Provision of drinking-water wells in Harijan areas in Pudukkottai Division.

261 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications received from Harijans in 1953-54 for the provision of drinking-water wells in Harijan areas in Pudukkottai Division of Tiruchirappalli district;

(b) the names of such areas; and

(c) the number allowed (1) wells already sunk and (2) under execution?

A.—(a) Eleven.

(b) Mukkuttu Kollai, hamlet of Karukkakurichi west.

Poduvalasal, hamlet of Pallavarampathai village.

Melappatti, hamlet of Ponnamaravathi village.

Kolappapatti, hamlet of Pallavarampathai village.

Pudupatti, hamlet of Pallavarampathai village.

Ambukool.

Puduviduthi, hamlet of Regunathapuram village.

Melathur village.

Pudukkottaividuthi, hamlet of Kilangadu.

Sikkalapatti village.

Karuppaodayanpatti, hamlet of Adanakottai village.

(c) The number allowed 11

(1) Wells already sunk 1

(2) Wells under execution 10

Schools and hostels in Kurumbranad taluk.

262 Q.—SRI K. MOIDU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of schools in Kurumbranad taluk run by the District Board, Director of Harijan Welfare and private parties respectively;

(b) how many schools are providing midday meals to students of Harijan communities and Backward Classes; and

(c) the number of hostels in the taluk?

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A.—(a) District Board	88
Harijan Welfare Department	4
Private parties	498

(b) The four schools run by Harijan Welfare Department are providing midday meals to students of Harijan communities. Pupils belonging to Backward Classes, however, are not supplied meals.

(c) One.

Manufacture and circulation of counterfeit coins.

263 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of persons involved in producing and exchanging the counterfeit coins in the year 1954 up to 31st December 1954;

(b) the number of persons arrested and punished; and

(c) the number charged for producing or exchanging counterfeit coins who collapsed while under Police custody, and their particulars?

A.—(a) Twenty-seven persons.

(b) Number of persons arrested 26

Number of persons punished 13

(c) Number collapsed while under police custody. 1

On the night of 23rd October 1954 Sachidananda Vaidya, a goldsmith of Karaikudi in Ramanathapuram district, was taken into custody by Karaikudi Police on information that he was manufacturing counterfeit four-anna coins. Forty-eight counterfeit four-anna coins were recovered from his house. On the morning of 24th, he was interrogated and he gave information at about 9-30 a.m. about the method of manufacture of counterfeit coins, and volunteered to produce to the Police the moulds used by him in the manufacture, from the place where he had concealed them in his house. He was, therefore, escorted to his house where he sat on the verandah of his house completely exhausted. Then he coughed heavily, drank some water, complained of giddiness and suddenly collapsed and died within a few minutes. A magisterial enquiry was also held by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Devakkottai, and he found that it was a case of natural death due to old age and heart failure.

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Medical Mobile Units.

264 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

- (a) the number of medical mobile units in the State;
- (b) the number of camps held in villages by the mobile units in 1954;
- (c) whether any statistics are available showing the number of operations conducted for various diseases including eye diseases in these camps by these units; and
- (d) the number of poor persons who were cured of eye diseases by the medical units in the villages?

A.—(a) Six units.

- (b) The one mobile medical unit in each of the districts of the Nilgiris and Malabar made 245 and 864 visits respectively to the villages.

The three units in Madurai and one unit in Ramanathapuram districts held 614 and 19 camps respectively.

Districts.		Number of operations conducted.
(c)	The Nilgiris	Nil.
	Madurai	247 (minor).
	Ramanathapuram	Nil.
	Malabar	850 (minor).
(d)	The Nilgiris	9
	Madurai	2,938
	Ramanathapuram	..
	Malabar	967

Vacancies in the cadre of Deputy Inspector of Schools.

265 Q.—SRI N. RAJAGOPAL: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

- (a) the number of vacancies in the cadre of Deputy Inspector of Schools, Senior and Junior, districtwar in the State; and
- (b) the reasons for keeping the posts still vacant?

A.—(a) Number of vacancies in the cadre of Senior Deputy Inspectors of Schools—

Salem district	...	...	...	...	1
Tiruchirappalli district	...	...	...	...	3
Nilgiris district	...	...	...	...	2

In the cadre of Junior Deputy Inspector of Schools—

Salem district	...	...	...	...	1
Pudukkottai district	...	...	...	...	1
Nilgiris district	...	...	...	...	2
South Kanara district	...	...	...	...	1

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- (b) The posts were vacant due to dearth of qualified hands for appointment as Deputy Inspectors of Schools, but they will be filled up shortly.

Selection of gazetted officers for the Agriculture Department.

266 Q.—SRI O. VENKATASUBBA REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number and designations of the several gazetted officers who were selected by the Madras Public Service Commission for appointment in the Agriculture Department during each of the years 1952, 1953, 1954 and 1955 so far;

(b) the number of selections for which the head of the department himself sat with the Commission for interviewing the candidates;

(c) the number of selections for which others were deputed to sit with the Commission;

(d) whether there is any convention that, in the absence of the head of a department the officer next to him in rank should be sent to deputise at these interviews and if so, whether it was followed in all the above cases; and

(e) if such a convention was not followed in any case the reasons therefor?

A.—(a) Necessary particulars are given in the statement ^a annexed.

(b) Nil.

(c) The number of selections is 26. Particulars of officers who sat with the Public Service Commission for interviewing candidates are given in the statement ^a annexed.

(d) The rule is that the head of the department should depute an officer to represent him if he is not himself able to be present. This rule was followed.

(e) The question does not arise.

Abolition of licentiate courses in Engineering.

267 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether the licentiate courses in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering were abolished in this State in 1952?

A.—No Sir.

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Schools and colleges in the State in 1955.

268 Q.—SRI G. GOVINDAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the number of (i) colleges; (ii) high schools; (iii) higher elementary schools; and (iv) elementary schools maintained by Government, district boards and private managements at the beginning of 1955?

A.—A statement ^a is placed on the table of the House

Filaria in Ramanathapuram district.

269 Q.—SRI G. GOVINDAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the steps taken by the Government to root out the filarial disease in the areas declared as filarial in Ramanathapuram district?

A.—Devakottai, Karaikudi, Paramakudi and Malaipatti in Ramanathapuram district have been included in the list of filarial areas prepared for the purpose of drawal by non-gazetted Government servants of interest-free advances for the purchase of mosquito nets. In Devakottai and Karaikudi, anti-filarial schemes are worked by the local bodies concerned with grants from State funds. In Paramakudi an anti-filarial scheme is worked by the panchayat without any aid from Government. In Malaipatti, an anti-filarial scheme is worked by the Regional Malaria Organization, Tanjore. Under the National Filarial Control Programme in which this State is participating, more comprehensive measures will be undertaken in these places in due course.

Assignment of lands to ex-servicemen in the Wynaad Colonization area.

270 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state how many ex-servicemen of the 3rd Madras Regiment applied for lands in the Wynaad Colonization area and how many of their applications were rejected?

A.—One hundred and sixty-three ex-servicemen of the 3rd Madras Regiment applied for lands in the Wynaad Colonization Scheme and 42 applications were rejected.

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Extension of service to officers after superannuation.

271 Q.—SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many officers drawing a salary of Rs. 200 and above are now continuing in service on extension after their period of retirement in the following departments :—

- (1) Judicial Department including the High Court;
- (2) Revenue Department including the Board of Revenue;
- (3) Public Works Department up to the cadre of Chief Engineer;
- (4) Police Department including the City Police and the Special Armed Police;
- (5) Education Department;
- (6) Other Government departments; and

(b) the reasons for the grant of extension of service to these officers?

A.—(a) Nil.

(b) Does not arise.

Improvements to District Headquarters Hospital, Mangalore.

272 Q.—SRI S. P. THANGAVELU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the total amount that has been allotted for improvements to the District Headquarters Hospital, Mangalore, during the years 1952 to 1955; and

(b) whether any amount was specially earmarked and sanctioned for any purpose and if so, for what purpose?

A.—(a) & (b) The Government have sanctioned Rs. 26·815 lakhs for the construction of additional buildings and Rs. 1,99,500 for the purchase of equipment in the Government Headquarters Hospital, Mangalore.

Scheduled Castes members in the Engineering Department

273 Q.—SRI D. DASARATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of members of the staff (both gazetted and non-gazetted) belonging to the Scheduled Castes employed in the Engineering Department; and

(b) how many of them are in the gazetted rank?

A.—(a) Public Works Department ... 88 (including one officer in the Sanitary Engineering Branch).

Electricity Department ... 105

Highways Department ... 93

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(b) Public Works Department ...	4
Electricity Department ...	Nil
Highways Department ...	2

Harijan applications for house-sites in South Kanara district.

274 Q.—SRI K. ISHWARA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many Harijans applied for house-sites during the last four years in the South Kanara district;

(b) how many applications have been disposed of so far; and

(c) how many applications are still pending with the authorities?

A.—(a) 1,162.

(b) 842.

(c) 320.

Claims for compensation for road accidents.

275 Q.—SRI T. P. ELUMALAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of claims for compensation for road accidents received by the Government from the Chingleput district in 1953 and 1954;

(b) how many claims were admitted; and

(c) the amount disbursed towards such claims?

A.—(a) to (c) A statement^a showing the particulars is annexed.

Cases filed under the Tanjore Tenants and Pannaiyal Protection Act in the Tanjore district.

276 Q.—SRI P. VENKATESHA SHOLAGAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of cases filed under the Tanjore Tenants and Pannaiyal Protection Act in connexion with the land disputes in Tanjore district in 1953–54 and 1954–55;

(b) the number of cases where order of eviction was passed during these years; and

(c) the number of cases dismissed during these years?

A.—(a) Nine thousand three hundred and eighteen cases were filed during 1953–54 and 4,658 cases were filed during 1954–55 under the Tanjore Tenants and Pannaiyal Protection Act in Tanjore district.

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(b) Eviction was ordered in 422 cases during 1953-54 and in 654 cases during 1954-55.

(c) Two thousand five hundred and eighty-eight cases were dismissed during 1953-54 and 1,801 cases during 1954-55.

Laying of roads and footpaths in the Harijan localities in the Tanjore district.

277 Q.—SRI P. VENKATESHA SHOLAGAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to State—

(a) the amount allotted for laying roads and footpaths in the Harijan localities in the Tanjore district for 1954-55; and

(b) the amount actually spent?

A.—(a) Rs. 10,400.

(b) Rs. 1,646-3-7 up to 28th February 1955. The balance is likely to be spent in March 1955.

Drinking-water wells in Tiruturaipundi taluk, Tanjore district.

278 Q.—SRI P. VENKATESHA SHOLAGAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications received for digging drinking-water wells in Tiruturaipundi taluk in Tanjore district in 1954;

(b) how many wells were ordered to be dug; and

(c) how many were actually dug?

A.—(a) 12.

(b) 9.

(c) 6.

Leprosy clinics and hospitals in the State.

279 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of hospitals and clinics maintained by Government or private agencies in the State for treating patients suffering from leprosy;

(b) the number of in-patients and out-patients treated in these institutions in 1953-54; and

(c) the total amount of subsidy given by the Government to the private institutions in 1953-54?

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A.—(a) Number of hospitals or sanatoria maintained by Government	12
Number of hospitals or Sanatoria maintained by private agencies	6
Number of clinics maintained by Government (including district board)	49
Number of clinics maintained by private agencies	48

(b) Number of in-patients and out-patients treated in these institutions in 1953-54 as follows:—

Out-patients.	In-patients.
90,884	4,450

(c) Rs. 3,11,974.

Promotion of softwood tree plantations.

280 Q.—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have any proposal and detailed programme for promoting private plantation of softwood trees in the State; and

(b) if so, what are the essentials of the plan.

A.—(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Police officers involved in prohibition offences in 1954.

281 Q.—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) how many Police officers districtwar and gradewar in the State were involved in prohibition offences in 1954;

(b) the punishments awarded to these officers;

(c) the names of places districtwar where Prohibition department is functioning;

(d) whether the Government have made special arrangements with the local police for enforcing prohibition where Prohibition department is not functioning; and

(e) if so, how many cases were detected by the local police districtwar?

A.—(a) & (b) A statement^a showing the number of Police officers, districtwar and gradewar, in the State involved in prohibition offences in 1954 is enclosed;

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- (c) Till 3rd January 1955, the Prohibition department functioned in the following eight districts :—

Madras City, Chingleput, South Arcot, Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli, South Kanara, Malabar and the Nilgiris;

- (d) The police were enforcing Prohibition in the remaining districts, viz., Salem, Coimbatore, North Arcot, Tanjore, Tiruchirappalli and Madurai. Special arrangements were made in these districts, when the enforcement of the Prohibition Act was taken over by the Police, by increasing the Police staff, and opening new Police stations, where Prohibition offences were prevalent. Work under the Prohibition Act in these districts is reviewed monthly to see that the local Police staff are paying sufficient attention to the enforcement of the Act;

- (e) The following is the total number of offences under the Prohibition Act detected by the local Police in 1954 in the districts in which the Police are enforcing the Prohibition Act :—

Name of district.		Number of cases.
1 Salem	.. .. .	16,422
2 Coimbatore	.. .. .	15,114
3 North Arcot	.. .. .	12,701
4 Tanjore	.. .. .	3,398
5 Tiruchirappalli	.. .. .	6,215
6 Madurai	.. .. .	3,501

Number of posts of Deputy Inspectors of Schools.

282 Q.—SRI K. MOOKKIAH THEVAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of posts of Deputy Inspectors in Grades I and II; and

(b) whether any Grade II posts are kept temporary and, if so, how many?

A.—(a) & (b) The number of posts of Deputy Inspectors of Schools, Grade I, is 49. The number of posts in Grade II is 150, of which 51 are temporary.

Rent reduction petitions dealt with by the Rent Courts in Kurumbranad taluk.

283 Q.—SRI C. KUNHIRAMA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many petitions for reduction of rent were received by the Rent Courts in Kurumbranad taluk, North Malabar, in 1954;

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- (b) how many petitions were disposed of so far;
- (c) in how many cases reduction was allowed to tenants; and
- (d) in how many cases appeals were filed against the decision of the Rent Courts?

A.—(a) Two thousand six hundred and ten applications for the determination of fair rents were received by the two Rent Courts in Kurumbranad taluk during 1954.

(b) Six hundred and forty-five till 30th March 1955.

(c) Three hundred and fifty-nine.

(d) Nine.

Revenue collections in 1953-54.

284 Q.—SRI G. GOVINDAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the revenue collected districtwar in 1953-54; and

(b) the total amount spent in Malabar and South Kanara in 1953-54?

A.—Separate figures of revenue collected and expenditure incurred in each district are not available with the Government. The Accountant-General furnishes the accounts figures to the Government only by each head of account for all the districts together. Compilation of districtwar figures of revenue and expenditure for 1953-54 cannot be done without employing a special staff in the Accountant-General's office to be paid for by this Government and even after such compilation, it is not possible to say that the districtwar figures will be correct, because the transactions of the Forest and Public Works and the transactions carried out in the State Headquarters and in the Reserve Bank cannot be so allocated. Moreover some of the transactions recorded in the treasury accounts of a particular district may relate to other districts.

Revenue and expenditure under the various heads in Malabar and South Kanara districts.

285 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the amount of revenue and expenditure under various heads during 1953-54 in Malabar and South Kanara districts separately?

A.—Separate figures of revenue collected and expenditure incurred under various heads in the Malabar and South Kanara districts are not available with the

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Government. The Accountant-General furnishes the accounts figures to the Government only by each head of account for all the districts together. Compilation of figures of revenue and expenditure for 1953-54 under the various heads for the Malabar and South Kanara districts cannot be done without employing a special staff in the Accountant-General's office to be paid for by this Government and even after such compilation, it is not possible to say that the figures will be correct, because the transactions of the Forest and Public Works Departments and the transactions carried out in the State Headquarters and in the Reserve Bank cannot be so allocated. Moreover, some of the transactions recorded in the treasury accounts of Malabar and South Kanara districts may relate to other districts and *vice versa*.

Assignment of poramboke lands in Kasargode taluk in 1954.

286 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many persons were assigned poramboke lands in Kasargod taluk, South Kanara, in 1954; and

(b) how many applications for assignment are still pending?

A.—(a) None, Sir.

(b) Seven.

Mobile Library lorries in Tanjore district.

287 Q.—SRI M. C. MUTHUKUMARASWAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many mobile library lorries were introduced in Tanjore district in 1952-54; and

(b) the expenditure incurred on them?

A.—(a) No mobile library lorry was introduced in Tanjore district during the year 1952-54.

(b) Does not arise.

Panchayat boards in Tanjore district.

288 Q.—SRI M. C. MUTHUKUMARASWAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) how many panchayat boards are in Tanjore district, talukwar; and

(b) how many Harijans are presidents of the boards?

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A.—(a) & (b) The number of panchayats in each of the taluks in the Tanjore district and the number of Harijans who are presidents are furnished below :—

Taluk.		Number of panchayats.	Number of Harijans who are presidents of panchayats.
(1)		(2)	(3)
Nagapattinam	— —	63	1
Nannilam	.. ..	142	6
Mayuram	.. ..	79	Nil.
Sirkali	.. ..	30	Nil.
Tiruturaipundi	— ..	69	1
Tanjore	.. ..	51	1
Kumbakonam	.. ..	67	1
Mannargudi	.. ..	91	7
Papanasam	.. ..	64	Nil.
Pattukottai	.. ..	35	1
Orathanad	.. ..	15	Nil.
Arantangi	.. ..	6	Nil.

Revenue Department staff in the Tanjore district.

289 Q.—SRI M. C. MUTHUKUMARASWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of officers, clerks, etc., gradewar in the Revenue Department in the Tanjore district; and

(b) how many of them are Harijans?

A.—(a) & (b) The particulars are furnished in the statement^a annexed.

Public Works Department staff in the Tanjore district.

290 Q.—SRI M. C. MUTHUKUMARASWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of officers, clerks, etc., gradewar, in the Public Works Department in Tanjore district; and

(b) how many of them are Harijans?

A.—(a) & (b) The particulars are furnished below :—

Serial number and name of category.	Strength.	Number of Harijans in each category.
(1)	(2)	(3)
1 Executive Engineers ..	3	Nil.
2 Assistant Engineers ..	15	1
3 Supervisors	44	Nil.
4 Overseers	11	Nil.
5 Draughtsmen, I Grade	1	Nil.
6 Draughtsmen, II Grade	6	Nil.
7 Draughtsmen, III Grade	19	Nil.

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Serial number and name of category. (1)	Strength. (2)	Number of Harijans in each category. (3)
8 Tracers	8	Nil.
9 Manager, Circle Office.	1	Nil.
10 Office Assistant ..	1	Nil.
11 Head Clerks, Division Office.	3	Nil.
12 Upper Division Clerks.	28	Nil.
13 Lower Division Clerks.	45	Nil.
14 Typists	9	Nil.
15 Attenders	4	Nil.
16 Telephone Clerks ..	26	Nil.
17 Irrigation Conservancy Subordinates.	123	Nil.
18 Maistries	2	Nil.
19 Electrician	1	Nil.

Sanitary Engineering Branch.

1 Assistant Engineer ..	1	Nil.
2 Head Clerk -- ..	1	Nil.
3 Lower Division Clerk.	1	Nil.
4 Supervisors	2	Nil.
5 Peons .. -- ..	5	Nil.

Wenlock Downs in the Nilgiris district.

291 Q.—SRI K. H. BOMMAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of the Wenlock Downs in the Nilgiris district;

(b) how much of this was cultivated with pyratherum during 1950-54; and

(c) the extent of lands originally cultivated with pyratherum now lying waste?

A.—(a) 19,250.60 acres.

(b) 226.70 acres.

(c) 110 acres in Ress' Corner.

Nileshwar Government Khadi Centre, South Kanara.

292 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) The total number of Khadi spinners in the Nileshwar Government Khadi Centre, South Kanara, at present;

(b) the number of spinners in 1951, 1952, 1953 and 1954;

(c) the number of Khadi weavers at present in the centre;

(d) the total production in the years 1951-54;

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- (e) the total sales of Khadi in each of these years;
- (f) the number of sales depot in the area;
- (g) whether there is any proposal to open a sales depot at Hosdrug; and
- (h) if so, when it will be opened?

A.—(a) 686.

(b) 1951—405.

1952—565

1953—583.

1954—632

(c) 26.

(d) 43,584 $\frac{1}{4}$ yards.

(e) 1951—5,019-0 yards

1952—3,325-6 „

1953—4,916-6 „

1954—5,974-12 „

(f) Nil.

(g) Yes.

(h) The matter is under consideration of the Government.

Assignment of land for the construction of a Bhajan Mandir in Adkathabail village, South Kanara district.

293 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether Thukra and others of Nellikunja Harijan Colony, Kasargode taluk, South Kanara district, applied for the assignment of land in R.S. No. 124/8 in Adkathabail village on 23rd November 1950 for the purpose of building a Bhajan Mandir;

(b) whether it was refused and, if so, for what reasons;

(c) whether the same plot was assigned to any non-Harijans afterwards; and

(d) if so, on what grounds?

A.—(a) to (d) The Secretary of the Rama Raja Kshatriya Seva Sangha, Kasargode, South Kanara district, applied to the Collector of South Kanara for the placing of R.S. No. 124/8 measuring 25 cents of Adkathabail village at the disposal of the Sangha for construction of a Bhajan Mandir to perpetuate the memory of the late Laxmananda Swamiji. At the time the Collector inspected the land, some Harijans of the locality objected to the grant on the ground that it was required by them. As the plot was situated in the midst of two Harijan colonies and its grant for a non-Harijan community would afford an opportunity to the Harijans to mingle freely with the caste Hindus and thus shed

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their inferiority complex and as the Bhajan Mandir proposed to be built was to perpetuate the memory of the late Laxmananda Swamiji who, it was reported, devoted his lifetime for the uplift of Harijans, the Government were convinced that the grant of the land to the Sangha would be in the best interests of the Harijans themselves. The Sangha was accordingly given possession of the land for the construction of a Bhajan Mandir.

Half-yearly District Irrigation Conference, Malabar.

294 Q.—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether any Half-yearly District Irrigation Conference has been held in the district of Malabar;

(b) if so, on what date or dates and the recommendations made thereat; and

(c) if not, why?

A.—(a) Yes, four conferences were held.

(b) the dates of the conferences and the suggestions made therein are as given below:—

First conference held on 2nd August 1947.—(1) The conference should be held for all taluks in one centre only and the Executive Engineer, Coimbatore Division, Public Works Department, who had jurisdiction over Palghat, Walluvanad, and British Cochin taluks should be asked to be present at the meetings.

(2) The whole district should be in charge of one Executive Engineer instead of having some taluks of the district attached to the Executive Engineer, Coimbatore Division, Public Works Department.

(3) The Irrigation interests should be safeguarded before any further work on flood banks is proceeded with as the construction of the Pooraparamba lock has caused flood damages to cultivated lands in Kotur, Tirunangadi, etc., amsams.

(4) The scope of the work of the Minor Irrigation staff in the district might be enlarged by entrusting them with the investigation, execution and maintenance of all small tanks, wells and cross-bunds across small streams and sluice gates, etc., to prevent ingress of salt water into cultivated lands and that the investigation of big schemes alone should be left to the Public Works Department.

Second conference held on 17th May 1948.—(1) Artisan tube wells might be provided in suitable places in the district.

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- (2) Thodus should be paved and sluices (anicuts) put up across thodus at every furlong to conserve water and to prevent percolation.
- (3) Private anicuts should be taken over by the Government.
- (4) There should be a Government reservoir (tank) of 5 acres extent for every 50 acres of ayacut.
- (5) Every village must have one tractor for ploughing and two oil engine pumpsets of not less than 10 h.p.
- (6) The whole district must have two bull-dozers.
- (7) The subsidy of Rs. 300 for well-digging should be increased, as it is too low, especially in cases where hard rock was met with in excavation of wells.
- (8) A sluice gate should be provided across Payyambalam Thodu in Chirakkal taluk.
- (9) *Malampuzha scheme*—
 - (i) For the owners of the lands in the waterspread area compensation should be in the form of lands in the ayacut area itself.
 - (ii) As the lands beyond the foreshore would be cut away, suitable communication should be provided.
 - (iii) Improvement to Kalathara chira, Pandara chira and Small chira in Mudamveli amsam might be made by replacement of the temporary bunds by permanent masonry work.

Third conference held on 30th June 1949.—(1) Twelve schemes which were within the range of Malampuzha project need not be dropped for the mere reason that they would form part of that project, but should be proceeded with as Malampuzha project might take six or more years for completion.

- (2) The funds allotted for minor irrigation works in 1949–50 should be spent in full during the year.
- (3) The Government might be addressed to give the Collector powers to accord administrative sanction for new irrigation works costing up to Rs. 5,000, technical sanction being given by the Public Works Department.
- (4) The following six anicuts in Palghat taluk, owned and operated by private individuals, might be acquired and maintained by Government as they were not properly maintained and used :—
 - (i) Parikallur anicut,
 - (ii) Thattan anicut,
 - (iii) Arumugam Pillai anicut,
 - (iv) Koodalur Ayar Kovilakam Vandithodu anicut,
 - (v) Vanabhojanam anicut, and
 - (vi) Chackan anicut.

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- (5) Wind mills and artisan tube wells might be provided in suitable places.
- (6) The feasibility of cross-bunding thodus and irrigation channels might be examined.
- (7) Specific cases where suitable reservoirs could be constructed might be brought to the notice of the Public Works Department.
- (8) Bull dozers and ploughing tractors might be made available to the agriculturists.
- (9) The proposal to construct a cheerpu at Beypore might be reconsidered as the ayacut that could be brought under the scheme, would be much more than 10 acres reported by the Public Works Department.

Fourth conference held on 30th June 1950.—(1) The construction of an anicut across the river which flows through Chorakulam in Vadakancherry amsam, Palghat taluk, might be investigated.

- (2) The Chennamkulam tank might be repaired.
- (3) Improvements to irrigation tanks in the district which have an ayacut of above 50 acres (about 80 tanks) might be carried out.
- (4) For improving the Kole cultivation in Ponnani taluk, the following recommendations might be made to the Government—

- (i) The deepening of the channel in the area might be proceeded with.

- (ii) The question of providing a reservoir in the area of Kuttadan cultivation might be taken up later after the question of joining the Travancore-Cochin Government scheme was decided.

- (iii) The Travancore-Cochin Government be asked to state definitely whether they would be able to give sufficient water from their reservoir for the whole Kole area in Malabar also.

- (c) The holding of the conference in the district has been temporarily discontinued as the experience of holding some conferences showed that the ryots had hardly any real grievance to represent in view of the fact that the major irrigation works in the district are all under execution and the minor irrigation works which have been completed in the district are small ones without any problems and as the problems, if any, relating to irrigation in the district could be discussed in the meetings of the Community Project Advisory Committee.

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behaving ed ing Incidence of leprosy in the State.

295 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the present incidence of leprosy in the State, district-war?

A.—The following statement shows the incidence of leprosy in the State, district-war—

Name of district.	Total number of leprosy cases.
1 South Arcot	75,000
2 North Arcot	6,725
3 Chingleput	2,773
4 Coimbatore	2,199
5 South Kanara	5,000
6 Madurai	7,641
7 Malabar	2,367
8 The Nilgiris	44
9 Ramanathapuram	2,147
10 Salem	18,775
11 Tanjore	8,394
12 Tiruchirappalli	4,981
13 Tirunelveli	1,983
14 Cochin	307
15 Madras City	54,107

ed Sinking and deepening of wells in the South Arcot district.

296 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) how many wells have been deepened so far in 1954–55 in the South Arcot district;

(b) how many applications were received in 1954 from the Harijan localities in the district demanding sinking of new wells and deepening of existing wells; and

(c) the amount spent by the Director of Harijan Welfare, the Collector of South Arcot and under the National Extension Schemes for sinking and deepening of wells?

A.—(a) 3.

(b) 120.

(c) The amount spent by

(i) The Director of Harijan Welfare, Rs. 3,443.

(ii) The Collector of South Arcot, Rs. 91,862-6-0.

(iii) Under National Extension Schemes for sinking and deepening of wells, Rs. 17,171-14-0.

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Harijan Welfare schools in the South Arcot district.

297 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the amount spent for providing midday meals to Harijan pupils in the year 1954–55 in South Arcot district and the number of schools and students provided with midday meals in the afternoon;

(b) how many new schools have been opened by the Harijan Welfare Department in the State with provision of midday meals; and

(c) how many applications were received in 1954–55 from Harijans to open Harijan Welfare Schools where there were no schools in existence?

A.—(a) The number of schools in South Arcot district is 175. The number of pupils who were supplied with midday meals during 1954–55 in South Arcot was 15,000 and the amount spent for the purpose was Rs. 2,96,500.

(b) 19 during 1954–55.

(c) 14.

Aziznagar and other Settlements.

298 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) when the Aziznagar and other settlements were taken over by the Harijan Welfare Department from the Home Department;

(b) who are the persons managing these settlements under the control of the Director of Harijan Welfare;

(c) the annual expenditure incurred on these settlements; and

(d) what are the facilities enjoyed by the people of these settlements?

A.—(a) The Aziznagar Settlement is the only Habitual Offenders' settlement in the Madras State. The control over the Settlement was taken over from the Police Department by the Harijan Welfare Department from 15th June 1954.

(b) A Manager who is an Inspector of Police, assisted by ministerial staff, is in charge of the administration of the settlement.

(c) On an average a lakh of rupees.

(d) *Agriculture.*—Reclaimed lands have been given to the settlers for cultivation. Artesian wells have been sunk for irrigating the crops. Intensive manure loans and taccavi loans are given towards effective cultivation.

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Industries.—Three major industries, viz., Carpentry, Leather and Weaving units are run by the Government to provide settlers with work.

Health.—A rural dispensary is run for the benefit of the settlers.

Education.—A co-educational higher elementary school is run to impart education to all the children in the settlement. Free midday meals are served to the children in the schools. The children are provided with books, slates, note-books, clothing, oil and soap, etc. Pupils reading in VIII standard are taken out on excursions at Government cost to places of interest. Deserving pupils who go for higher education, technical training, industrial courses and teachers' training outside the settlement are sanctioned grants for books, clothing and boarding; some of the girls are sent up for training in midwifery every year. A rural library is also maintained in the settlement.

Co-operation.—A multi-purpose co-operative society with the Government grant of Rs. 7,000 and with the services of a Junior Inspector free of cost is run for the benefit of the settlers.

Housing.—The settlers have been provided with huts. Financial aid is given to the deserving individuals to attend to the annual repairs to their houses.

Miscellaneous.—A Women Welfare Centre is run in the settlement. Moral instructions and classes for religious discourses for the benefit of the adults are also conducted by Government.

Loans given to hides and skins merchants and tannery workers in the State.

299 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have given any loan to hides and skins merchants in the State in the current year;

(b) if so, their names and the amount given to each tannery shop;

(c) whether any loan or aid is given for the benefit of tannery workers either individually or on co-operative basis; and

(d) if so, how much and to how many applicants?

A.—(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

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—: *Grant of permits for new routes.*

300 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) how many applications were received by the Regional Transport Officers from Harijans for new routes; and

(b) what are the conditions for the grant of permits for new routes?

A.—(a) Ten applications in all were received in 1953 and 1954.

(b) In deciding to grant or refuse a stage carriage permit, the Transport authorities are guided mainly by the following considerations set forth in section 47 (1) of the Motor Vehicles Act:—

(i) the interest of the public generally;

(ii) the advantages to the public of the service to be provided including the saving of time likely to be effected thereby and any convenience arising from journeys not being broken;

(iii) the adequacy of existing road passenger transport services between the places to be served and the fares charged by those services;

(iv) the benefit to any particular locality or localities likely to be afforded by the service;

(v) the condition of the roads included in the proposed route or routes.

Public contributions for development works in the N.E.S. areas in South Arcot district.

301 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the amount contributed by the public either in the form of cash or labour towards development works in the National Extension Scheme areas in the South Arcot district so far;

(b) the nature of work and the amount of contribution;

(c) whether any development work has been executed in Harijan localities; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

A.—(a) Rs. 1,43,515.

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(b) The details are given in the statement below :—

Nature of work.	Amount contributed.
	Rs.
(1) Social Education	340
(2) Wells	19,408
(3) Village communications	33,180
(4) Public Health	2,161
(5) Miscellaneous	88,426
Total	1,43,515

(c) Thirty well works were executed for the benefit of Harijans. Many of the roads and dispensaries completed or under construction will also benefit the Harijans.

(d) Does not arise.

Erection of boring pumpsets in South Arcot district.

302 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of boring pumpsets proposed and erected under the Rural Water-supply Scheme in South Arcot district in the year 1954-55 up to date;

(b) the date of starting the boring work and the date of completion of erection in respect of each of these pumpsets;

(c) if the work has not been completed, the reasons for the delay; and

(d) how many boring pumpsets were erected for the use of Harijans under this scheme?

A.—(a) Number proposed—2.

Number erected—1.

(b) & (c) One work at Ponyipattu village in Kallakurichi taluk has not yet been started. The Industries Department has been addressed by the Tahsildar for allotment of a drill for boring. In the other case, the work at Quilapalayam in Tindivanam taluk was started on 15th August 1953 and completed on 6th December 1953.

(d) The two bore wells mentioned above were not for the use of the Harijans.

Training in Nursing in Medical Colleges in Madras.

303 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applicants selected for training in Nursing in Medical Colleges in Madras in the year 1954; and

(b) how many of them are provided with free quarters?

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to A.—(a) & (b) There is no provision for the training of nurses in any of the Medical Colleges in Madras. Training in General Sick Nursing is given in the Government General Hospital, the Kasturba Gandhi Hospital for Women and Children, and the Government Stanley Hospital, in the Madras City, and the number of candidates selected in 1954 for training in these centres was 126. All of them are provided with free quarters.

Reconstruction work under the Rural Reconstruction Scheme, South Arcot district.

304 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the areas selected for re-construction under the Rural Reconstruction Scheme in the South Arcot district; and

(b) the progress so far made and the amount spent for the year 1954?

A.—(a) The blocks selected under the National Extension Service and Community Development Programmes in the South Arcot district are as follows:—

(i) *National Extension Service Blocks*.—Panruti block consisting of Kadambuliur and Tirunavalur firkas; Kurinjipadi block consisting of Kullanjavadi and Kurinjipadi firkas; and Chinnasalem block consisting of Chinnasalem, Vadakkanandal and Kallakurichi firkas.

(ii) *Community Development Block*.—Chidambaram consisting of a portion of Chidambaram taluk round Sethiatope excluding the urban area of Chidambaram town.

(b) A statement^a showing the progress of work done in each of these blocks is appended. The expenditure including loans incurred on the National Extension Service and Community Development Blocks in South Arcot district during the year 1954 is

Rs.

(1) On National Extension Service Blocks ... 4,37,351

(2) On Community Development Block ... 2,08,452

Distribution of ammonium sulphate in South Arcot district.

305 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of co-operative societies and licensed private dealers distributing ammonium sulphate in the South Arcot district for manuring purposes;

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(b) how many depots have been opened and the quantity of ammonium sulphate distributed in 1954;

(c) whether these dealers are distributing superphosphate and urea; and

(d) the quantity allotted for the South Arcot district?

A.—(a) Two co-operative societies and eight private dealers were selected as distributors in 1954.

(b) Twenty-eight depots were opened and a quantity of 2,943 tons were distributed in 1954.

(c) Some dealers were distributing superphosphate on their own account, that is, outside the State Trading Scheme. No dealer distributed urea.

(d) Four thousand one hundred and ninety tons of ammonium sulphate; no quantity of superphosphate or urea was allotted.

Assignment of house-sites and waste lands to the poor and the Harijans in South Arcot district.

306 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have directed the Collector of South Arcot to expedite the assignment of house-sites and waste lands to the poor and Harijans; and

(b) if so, the extent of house-sites and lands assigned in the year 1954?

A.—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A total extent of 5.55 acres was assigned as house-sites. No assignment of agricultural land was made in 1954.

Government Milk Factory, Teynampet, and the Co-operative Milk Supply Union, Ayanavaram.

307 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the output of milk per day from the Government Milk Factory, Teynampet, and the Co-operative Milk Supply Union, Ayanavaram;

(b) the average daily expenses of the Government Milk Factory; and

(c) the aid and loan given to the Ayanavaram Milk Co-operative Supply Union?

A.—(a) The average output per day at the Government Milk Factory is 4,000 lbs. and that of the Co-operative Milk Supply Union as on 28th February 1955 is 29,399 lbs.

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- (b) The average daily expenses incurred on the Government Milk Factory is Rs. 636.
- (c) A loan of Rs. 3,90,000 was granted to the Madras Co-operative Milk Supply Union during 1954-55 at 5½ per cent interest and also a subsidy of Rs. 6,360.

Residential scholarships to Backward class college and high school students.

308 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the number of applications received and sanctioned during the year 1954-55 for scholarships from

- (a) Backward class residential college students; and
- (b) Backward class residential high school students?

A.—(a) Out of 2,010 applications for residential scholarships received from students belonging to Backward classes studying in colleges, 1,107 applicants were granted scholarships.

- (b) No residential scholarships are at present granted to pupils belonging to Backward classes in high schools.

Slum improvement in the City.

309 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the City Improvement Trust, Madras, has approached the Government with any proposal for slum improvement; and

(b) if so, what are the main features of the proposal and whether the Government have accepted them?

A.—(a) Yes. The Madras City Improvement Trust has submitted proposals for slum improvement with reference to the Central Government's scheme for giving loans to local bodies, etc., for slum improvement.

- (b) The main features of the proposals submitted by the Trust are as follows:—

(1) The scheme drawn up by the Central Government is generally acceptable.

(2) For re-housing of slum dwellers, pakka masonry tenements as in Cox Colony may be constructed, instead of mud huts.

(3) Slums lying in South Madras may be entrusted to the Trust for improvement. Those lying in North Madras may be entrusted to the Corporation of Madras. The Cooum river may be the demarcating boundary.

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- (4) For slum improvement and provision of housing accommodation to pavement dwellers in the City, the Trust may be given a sum of Rs. 40 lakhs, half the amount as loan and half as grant.

These proposals are under consideration.

Assignment of cultivable forest lands to Harijans in Coimbatore.

310 Q.—SRI S. R. ARUMUGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of forest land lying waste, fit for cultivation in 24. Veerapondi and Madukarai firkas in the Coimbatore taluk, Coimbatore district;

(b) how many applications were received from the Harijans and non-Harijans for the assignment of lands for cultivation and how many acres of land were disposed of in 1954; and

(c) whether any financial assistance has been given for improving the lands and, if so, how much and to whom?

A.—(a) All the forest lands in the two firkas have been constituted as reserved forests and no area fit for cultivation is lying waste.

(b) No application was received and no land was assigned in 1954.

(c) None.

Erection of filter-points in Chingleput district.

311 Q.—SRI S. R. ARUMUGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many filter-points were erected in Chingleput district during 1953–54;

(b) whether the target was reached; and

(c) how many of them were found successful?

A.—(a) Forty-eight.

(b) Yes.

(c) All the 48 wells.

Filter-points for irrigation purposes in Chingleput district.

312 Q.—SRI N. RAMAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of filter-points provided in Chingleput district for irrigation purposes in 1953–54 and 1954–55;

(b) how many of them have been found fruitful; and

(c) how many filter-points have been provided in the Coastal strips of the district?

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A.—(a) Forty-eight in 1953–54; and
Sixty-two in 1954–55.

(b) All of them.

(Some of the springs dry up due to natural causes but they are attended to.)

(c) Seventeen in 1953–54; and
Thirty in 1954–55.

Local Fund Dispensaries in South Kanara district.

313 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Local Fund Dispensaries in the district of South Kanara at present;

(b) whether there is any proposal to provincialize the Hosdrug Local Fund Dispensary; and

(c) if so, when?

A.—(a) Eleven.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Earth work in the Kasba river in Vriddhachalam taluk for irrigation purposes.

314 Q.—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal with the Government for doing any earth work in the Kasba river in Vriddhachalam taluk for irrigation purposes; and

(b) if so, when the work will be commenced?

A.—(a) & (b) There is no river by name Kasba and the question does not therefore arise.

Artesian wells in Kammapuram and Oomangalam circles in Vriddhachalam taluk.

315 Q.—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) how many artesian wells were sunk in Kammapuram and Oomangalam circles, Vriddhachalam taluk;

(b) how many of them are under repairs now;

(c) whether there is any proposal with the Government for repairing all these wells; and

(d) what is the difference between the rates of kist imposed on the lands irrigated by the artesian wells and other lands that are not irrigated by the artesian wells?

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A.—(a) Seven artesian wells were sunk in Kammapuram circle and two in Oomangalam circle.

(b) One well in Kammapuram circle and one in Oomangalam circle are under repairs.

(c) No.

(d) There is no difference.

Staff employed in the Neiveli Lignite Mines in South Arcot district.

316 Q.—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the procedure adopted by the management of the Neiveli Lignite Project in the matter of recruitment to various posts in the Neiveli Lignite Mines in the South Arcot district;

(b) how many persons are at present employed in this project communitywar;

(c) whether the wages were given to the employees in accordance with the entries made in their office ledgers and whether there was any complaint by the employees in the matter; and

(d) what are the rates of the wages gradewar given to the employees?

A.—(a) Recruitment to Gazetted and non-Gazetted posts (other than work charged) is made from other departments by transfer or by direct recruitment wherever necessary. Staff under workcharged establishment and nominal muster roll are recruited direct by the General Superintendent in consultation with the Employment Exchange wherever possible.

(b) On 11th March 1955 there were 459 persons employed as detailed below :—

(1)	Scheduled castes.						(8)
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
Gazetted	..	1	1	3	4	2	11
Non-gazetted and other staff.	1	16	5	6	37	25	90
Workcharged	..	38	2	8	42	26	116
Nominal muster roll ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	242
Total ..							459

The number of persons working under nominal muster roll are not given communitywar as such records are not kept in respect of them.

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(c) The wages are paid in accordance with the entries made in the office records. There has been no complaint from the employees in the matter.

(d) The workers are broadly classified into four categories, viz., unskilled, semi-skilled, skilled and highly skilled and the rates of wages for each category of workers are as detailed below :—

Category of workers. (1)	Rate of wages. (2)
A. Unskilled —	Up to a maximum of Rs. 1-12-0 per day.
B. Semi-skilled ..	Do. Rs. 2-8-0 per day.
C. Skilled —	Do. Rs. 4-0-0 per day.
D. Highly skilled ..	Rs. 4 to Rs. 12-8-0 per day.

Full fee concessions to Vanniakula Kshatriya community students.

317 Q.—SRI A. GOVINDASWAMY NAYAGAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Vanniakula Kshatriya community students from each of the District Board schools in South Arcot district who applied to the Government for full fee concessions as per G.O. Ms. No. 1081, Education, dated 2nd August 1954;

(b) the number of students who were not granted the full fee concessions; and

(c) the reasons for not granting full fee concessions?

A.—(a) The number of Vanniakula Kshatriya pupils who have applied for full fee concessions from each of the District Board schools in South Arcot is as follows :—

Board High School, Panruti—63.
Board High School, Porto Novo—32.
Board High School, Kattumannarkoil—125.
Board High School, Bhuvanagiri—74.
Board High School, Vriddhachalam—85.
Board High School, Pennadam—104.
Board High School, Tirukkoyilur—6.
Board High School, Chinnasalem—3.
Board Girls' High School, Villupuram—1.
Board High School, Valavanur—81.
Board High School, Gingee—116.
Board High School, Ulundurpet—6.
Board High School, Tittagudi—22.
Board High School, Kurinjipadi—13.
Board High School, Siruvanthadu—18.
Board Middle School, Vikravandi—15.
Board High School, Kallakurichi—1.
Board Girls' High School, Tirukkoyilur—Nil.

(b) Three.

(c) Applications are pending sanction for want of complete particulars in the applications.

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Black top work in the Mangalore Municipality.

318 Q.—SRI K. ISHWARA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether the Government have given permission to the Mangalore Municipality to do the black top work departmentally?

A.—No, Sir, Government sanction is not necessary for the departmental execution of such works, as the Council is competent to execute them by contract or through departmental agency according to rules.

Appointment of Deputy Collectors in the State after the separation of the Andhra State.

319 Q.—SRI K. ISHWARA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of Deputy Collectors appointed in the State after the separation of the Andhra State;

(b) the total number of Harijans and Backward class people among them;

(c) the number of Deputy Collectors promoted as District Collectors in the State after the separation of the Andhra State; and

(d) the number of Harijans among them?

A.—(a) Twenty-seven, of which twenty-six were temporary appointments.

(b) Harijans—Nil.

Backward Class—Six.

(c) Nine, of which one has since retired.

(d) Scheduled Caste—One.

Grant of gun licences in Pudukkottai division.

320 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications for gun licences received from each taluk in Pudukkottai division of Tiruchirappalli district, during the years 1952, 1953, 1954 and from January 1955 to end of February 1955; and

(b) the number granted as per each taluk in Pudukkottai division?

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A.—(a) & (b) A statement showing the particulars is given below.

STATEMENT.

Number of applications for gun licences received in Pudukkottai division.

Year. (1)	Name of the taluk.		
	Kolathur. (2)	Alangudi. (3)	Tirumayam. (4)
1952 ..	4	8	6
1953 ..	18	26	27
1954 ..	14	13	20
1955 (up to 28th February 1955).	5	9	7

Number of licences granted in Pudukkottai division.

1952 ..	2	4	3
1953 ..	8	14	7
1954 ..	4	8	14
1955 (up to 28th February 1955).	Nil	Nil	Nil

Re-employment of retired Government doctors.

321 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications received by Government for re-employment from retired Government doctors during the years 1952, 1953, 1954 and 1955 so far; and

(b) the number re-employed?

A.—(a) 1952—Three applications from Government Assistant Surgeons (retired).

1953—Three applications from Government Assistant Surgeons (retired).

1954—Four applications from Government Assistant Surgeons (retired).

1955 so far—One application from Government Assistant Surgeon (retired).

(b) Nil.

Groundnut export.

322 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the quantity of (1) H.P.S. and (2) machine-stubbed seeds of groundnuts exported from Madras State to (i) foreign countries and (ii) neighbouring States during 1954 and for the period ending February 1955;

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(b) who the exporters were; and

(c) whether producer-concerns applied for export permits and whether they were granted?

A.—(a) Export of H.P.S. groundnut seeds.

	1954. (Quantity in tons.)	1955 (up to February) (Quantity in tons.)
(1) Foreign countries...	525	25
(2) Other States in India.	5,192.25	28

(Exports of other varieties of groundnuts to foreign countries are prohibited.)

(b) (1) Rallis India, Limited, Madras.

(2) Chandrakant & Co., Ltd., Madras.

(3) Daulatram Rawatmull, Madras.

(4) P. A. Narasimhalu Reddi, Madras.

(5) I. Kama Sastry, Guntur.

(6) Lagisetty Garudayya, Nandyal.

(7) S. B. Meera Sahib & Co., Madras.

(8) Hind Mercantile Corporation, Limited, Madras.

(9) The Eastern Supplies, Limited, Madras.

(10) Daulatram Nandyal, Bombay.

(11) Bhagwan Dass Goel & Sons, Madras.

(c) No.

Appointment in Government service of passed medical students.

323 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of persons who passed out of the Medical Colleges in the State during the years 1953 and 1954;

(b) the number who applied for Government service in 1953 and 1954; and

(c) the number who were appointed by the Government in 1953 and 1954?

A.—(a)	1953	...	...	...	...	333
	1954	...	...	...	...	260
(b)	1953	...	...	...	...	221
	1954	...	...	...	...	105
(c)	1953	...	...	...	...	46
	1954	...	...	...	...	164

Selection and appointment of Gramasevikas.

324 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applicants districtwise for selection as Grama Sevaks and Gramasevikas;

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- (b) the number selected and appointed districtwise; and
 (c) the number of (1) Harijan and (2) Backward Class applicants and the number selected under each item?

A.—(a) & (b) The number of applicants for the posts of Grama sevaks and the number actually selected during 1954–55 are as follows :—

District.	Number of applicants.		Number selected.	
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Madras ..	463	4	31	1
Chingleput ..	268	..	25	..
North Arcot ..	288	..	32	..
South Arcot ..	240	..	44	..
Tanjore ..	674	9	140	1
Tiruchirappalli ..	441	3	67	..
Madurai ..	421	2	50	..
Ramanathapuram.	267	..	57	..
Tirunelveli ..	316	..	74	..
Coimbatore ..	286	..	47	..
Salem ..	279	..	47	..
The Nilgiris ..	180	..	17	..
South Kanara ..	240	2	9	..
Malabar ..	396	12	55	..
Travancore-Cochin	260	6	13	..
and other States.				
Total	5,019	38	708	2

Those of the selected candidates who were willing to take up the appointment have been sent for training in Basic Agriculture for one year in two batches from 15th July 1954 and 16th February 1955 respectively at the various Grama Sevaks Training Centres, to be followed by an extension training for six months.

- (c) Information regarding the number of Harijan and Backward Class candidates who applied is not available as the candidates were not required to specify in the application the community to which they belong. But among the selected candidates, 13 Harijan and 240 Backward Class candidates are undergoing training.

Staff appointed under the Five-Year Plan, etc., in Tiruchirappalli district.

325 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the strength of the staff appointed to work in the Tiruchirappalli district—

- (i) Five-Year Plan works;
 (ii) National Extension Service Scheme works; and
 (iii) Community Projects works?

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A.—Local Development Works, National Extension Service and Community Projects come under the Five-Year Plan. In Tiruchirappalli district no area has been taken up under the Community Projects Scheme. The staff employed in the other works are as follows :—

(A) *Local Development Works*—

(i) *Ministerial Staff*—

- (a) One section head in the cadre of Deputy Tahsildar in the Collector's office.
- (b) Two upper division clerks in the Collector's office.
- (c) One typist in the Collector's office.
- (d) One peon in the Collector's office.
- (e) Five upper division clerks (at one in each Revenue Divisional Officer's office).
- (f) Ten upper division clerks (at one in each Tahsildar's office).

(ii) *Engineering Staff*—

- (a) One Assistant Engineer (Highways).
- (b) Two Junior Engineers (Highways).
- (c) One draughtsman.
- (d) One tracer.
- (e) One upper division clerk in the Assistant Engineer's office.
- (f) Two lower division clerks (one in Divisional Engineer's office and one in Assistant Engineer's office).
- (g) Four peons.

Apart from the above staff, the following are employed as common for Tiruchirappalli, Tanjore and South Arcot districts :—

- (a) One Assistant Engineer (Public Health).
- (b) One draughtsman, Grade II.
- (c) One draughtsman, Grade III.
- (d) One tracer.
- (e) One lower division clerk.
- (f) One typist.
- (g) Three peons.

(B) *National Extension Service Works*—There are four National Extension Service Blocks in Tiruchirappalli district. The following are the staff sanctioned :—

- (i) (a) Four Block Development Officers (three gazetted and one non-gazetted).
- (b) Four Extension Officers for Agriculture.
- (c) Four Extension Officers for Animal Husbandry.

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- (d) Four Extension Officers for Co-operation and Panchayats.
 - (e) Four Extension Service Supervisor-cum-Junior Engineers.
 - (f) Eight Social Education Organizers (four men and four women).
 - (g) Forty Grama sevaks. (Grade 1—12 and Grade II—28).
 - (h) Twelve demonstration maistris.
 - (i) Four jeep drivers.
 - (j) Four upper division clerks.
 - (k) Four typists.
 - (l) Thirty-two peons.
 - (m) One upper division clerk in Collector's office.
- (ii) In each of the four National Extension Service Blocks, a special staff consisting of one Tahsildar, two Revenue Inspectors and two lower division clerks have been sanctioned for disposal of loan applications.

Assignment of poramboke lands in Pudukkottai division.

326 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications received in the years 1952–54 for the assignment of poramboke lands in each of the three taluks of Pudukkottai division, Tiruchirappalli district; and

(b) the number of applications (1) granted and (2) rejected?

A.—(a) & (b)

Taluk.	Year.	Number of applications received.	Number of applications]		Pending.
			Granted.	Rejected.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Alangudi ..	1952	18	14	4	..
	1953	95	..	92	3
	1954	21	..	13	8
Tirumayam	1952	83	5	78	..
	1953	94	2	92	..
	1954	49	1	48	..
Kolathoor	Fasli 1362—1st July 1952 to 30th June 1953.	30	..	28	2
	Fasli 1363—1st July 1953 to 30th June 1954.	10	..	14	2

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Acquisition of private lands for assignment as house-sites to cheris in the Coimbatore district.

327 Q.—SRI B. K. NALLASWAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the names of cheris which are built on private lands which are being acquired in the Coimbatore district, talukwar?

A.—The information is given below :—

Avanashi taluk	--	Palayakattupudur, hamlet of Cheyur.
Bhavani taluk	..	Kilwani.
Coimbatore taluk	..	Nil.
Dharapuram taluk	..	Nil.
Erode taluk	..	Nil.
Gobichettipalayam taluk	--	Kallipatti, hamlet of Kondayampalayam, Erumaikaranpudur, hamlet of Kadathur, Mackinamkombai.
Kollegal taluk	..	Sathegal.
Pollachi taluk	..	Sinnampalayam village.
Tiruppur taluk	..	Nil.
Udamalpet taluk	..	Nil.

Development works in the Coimbatore district.

328 Q.—SRI B. K. NALLASWAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the names of works, the amounts spent and the grants given by Government (i) in Community Project area, (ii) under the National Extension Schemes and (iii) Local Development Schemes in the Coimbatore district—talukwar?

A.—The information is furnished in the statement* annexed.

Grant-in-aid elementary schools in Tindivanam taluk.

329 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of grant-in-aid elementary schools in Tindivanam taluk, South Arcot district, at present;

(b) how many of them are under teacher-managers;

(c) how many applications were received by the Government asking for recognition of aided elementary schools during the period from 1st January to 1st November 1954 in Tindivanam taluk; and

(d) how many of them were given recognition?

A.—(a) 104.

(b) 53.

(c) 24.

(d) 5.

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Remission of land revenue in Tindivanam taluk.

330 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether any land revenue remission was given in any village in Tindivanam taluk, South Arcot district, during 1952-53 and 1953-54; and

(b) the total amount of money foregone by the Government due to such remissions?

A.—(a) Yes; land revenue remission was given in several villages.

(b) The total amount foregone by the Government is as follows:—

1952-53 (fasli 1362)—Rs. 1,61,845.

1953-54 (fasli 1363)—Rs. 37,207.

Non-residential scholarships for the Harijan children in Tindivanam taluk.

331 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications received from Harijan boys and girls for non-residential scholarships during 1953-54 from Tindivanam taluk; and

(b) the number of such scholarships awarded during that period?

A.—(a) 96 (ninety-six).

(b) 95 (ninety-five).

Prohibition offences in Tindivanam taluk.

332 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of persons involved in Prohibition offences in Tindivanam taluk during 1953-54;

(b) how many of them were—

(i) prosecuted; and

(ii) convicted;

(c) how many of them were women offenders; and

(d) the total amount of fines collected from them during 1953-54?

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A.—(a) 779.

(b) (i) 779 were prosecuted.

(ii) 729 were convicted.

(c) 39.

(d) Rs. 12,344.

*Offences under the Removal of Civil Disabilities Act of 1938
in Tindivanam taluk.*

333 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) how many offences were committed under the Removal of Civil Disabilities Act of 1938 in Tindivanam taluk during the years 1952 and 1953; and

(b) how many cases ended in conviction and in how many cases persons were acquitted so far and how many cases are pending?

A.—(a) No offence was registered.

(b) Does not arise.

*Selection of students for the R.C. Higher Grade Teacher
Training School at Tindivanam.*

334 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications received from Harijan candidates for admission into the R.C. Higher Grade Teacher Training School at Tindivanam in 1953–54; and

(b) the number of Harijan candidates selected for the said training during 1953–54?

A.—(a) Secondary 2; Higher 26.

(b) Secondary 1; Higher 4.

*Assignment of house-sites to the Harijans of certain villages in
Tindivanam taluk.*

335 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representations from the Harijans of Peramandur, Annamputhur and Kil-karanai villages of Tindivanam taluk, South Arcot district, in the months of September, October and November 1954, regarding assignment of house-sites to them; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

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A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The Collector has called for proposals from subordinate officers. Expeditious action will be taken to acquire lands wherever found necessary.

Allotment of oil engines to agriculturists in Tindivanam taluk.

336 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of oil-engines allotted to agriculturists in Tindivanam taluk during the period 1952–54;

(b) the maximum and minimum periods for which the oil-engines were allotted; and

(c) the total amount of hire charges paid by the agriculturists during the period?

	1952–53.	1953–54.
A.—(a)	6	5
(b) Maximum.	342 days.	44 days.
Minimum.	15 days.	6 days.
(c)	Rs. 4,268	Rs. 296.

Acquisition of lands for assignment as house-sites to Harijans of Kilpettai village, Tindivanam taluk.

337 Q.—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of lands acquired for the purpose of providing Harijans of Kilpettai village, Tindivanam taluk, with house-sites;

(b) whether the lands acquired are sufficient for the purpose and if not the reasons therefor;

(c) how many years elapsed since the lands were acquired; and

(d) why the lands have not yet been allotted to the Harijans till now?

A.—(a) 3.16 acres.

(b) Besides the extent acquired an extent of 1.90 acres of Government land was also transferred to natham poramboke and the total extent of 5.06 acres now available is adequate.

(c) About one year.

(d) The question of allocation of sites according to the layout plan approved by the Town-Planning Commission has been under correspondence between the Collector of South Arcot and the Tahsildar, Tindivanam. The Collector reports that he will be issuing final instructions to the Tahsildar soon.

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Eradication of malaria in Kollegal taluk.

338 Q.—SRI S. C. VIRUPAKSHIAH: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the steps taken by the Government to eradicate malaria prevalent in parts of Kollegal taluk?

A.—D.D.T. spraying of houses supplemented by intensive distribution of anti-malarial drugs is carried on under the Anti-malarial Scheme, Coimbatore North.

Harijan Welfare schools to be opened in 1955-56.

339 Q.—SRI M. P. PERIASWAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the total number of Labour schools proposed to be opened in 1955-56?

A.—No separate Harijan Welfare schools will be opened during 1955-56. The Education Department will, however, be opening during 1955-56 general schools in 50 places which would provide for Harijans also. The Director of Public Instruction has been instructed to select the places where the schools are to be opened in consultation with the Director of Harijan Welfare.

Assignment of lands to the Adivasis of Wynaad in Malabar.

340 Q.—SRI C. VELUKKAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many of the Adivasis who have settled in Wynaad, Malabar, have been assigned lands according to Government Order so far;

(b) how many persons are yet to be assigned lands; and

(c) what steps the Government have taken to assign lands to those remaining persons?

A.—(a) No lands have been assigned so far to Adivasis in Wynaad taluk.

(b) & (c) The number of families to whom assignment is to be made is estimated at 800. A special staff has been recently sanctioned by the Government for expediting the assignment of lands in Wynaad taluk.

Murder cases reported in the Police stations in Wynaad, Malabar.

341 Q.—SRI C. VELUKKAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many murder cases were reported in the Police stations at Vaithiri, Mananthody, Bethery and Mepady in Wynaad, Malabar, in the year 1953-54;

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(b) how many cases were detected and in how many cases charge-sheets have been filed;

(c) how many cases ended in conviction; and

(d) how many ended in acquittal?

A.—(a) to (d) A statement is appended below :—

Statement showing the number of murder cases reported in the Police stations at Vaithiri, Mananthody, Bathery and Mepadi in Wynaad taluk, Malabar, in 1953-54, the number detected and charge-sheeted, the number convicted and acquitted.

Name of Police Stations.	Number of murder cases reported in 1953-54.	Number in which charge sheets were filed.	Number of cases ended in conviction.	Number of cases ended in acquittal.	Remarks.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1 Vaithiri ..	1	1	..	1	
2 Mepadi ..	..	..	..	..	
3 S. Bathery ..	3	2	1	..	(a) One case is pending trial as the accused is absconding. (b) In one case accused committed suicide and charge abated.
4 Mananthody ..	..	..	..	..	
Total ..	4	3	1	1	

Hindu Religious Endowments Area Committees in the State.

342 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) how many Hindu Religious Endowments Area Committees there are in the State;

(b) the various places where they are functioning; and

(c) how many Harijans have so far been appointed as members of the various Area Committees?

A.—(a) & (b) There are 12 Area Committees in the State as detailed below :—

Area of jurisdiction.	Headquarters.
(1) Chingleput district and Madras City ..	Madras.
(2) North Arcot and South Arcot districts ..	Cuddalore.
(3) Tiruchirappalli district	Tiruchirappalli.
(4) Madurai district	Madurai.
(5) Tirunelveli district	Tirunelveli.

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Area of jurisdiction.	Headquarters.
(6) Coimbatore, Salem and the Nilgiris districts	Coimbatore.
(7) South Malabar (taluks of Kozhikode, Ernad, Ponnani, Walluvanad, Palghat and Cochin)	Palghat.
(8) North Malabar (taluks of Chirakkal, Kottayam, Kurumbranad, and Wynaad and the sub-taluk of Hosdrug in the South Kanara district) ..	Tellicherry.
(9) South Kanara district (excluding Hosdrug sub-taluk)	Mangalore.
(10) West Tanjore (taluks of Tanjore, Aranthangi, Pattukkottai, Kumbakonam, Papanasam and Mannargudi) ..	Tanjore.
(11) East Tanjore (taluks of Nannilam, Sirkali, Mayuram, Nagapattinam and Tiruturaipundi)	Nagapattinam.
(12) Ramanathapuram	Madurai.
(c) There are ten Harijan members one in each of the Area Committees other than those of South Malabar and East Tanjore.	

Supply of drinking-water in Kadampuliyur firka in Cuddalore taluk.

343 Q.—SRI A. GOVINDASWAMY NAYAGAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to supply drinking water under rural water-supply scheme to the Kadampuliyur firka, Cuddalore taluk; and

(b) if so, when it will be given effect to and what is the estimated cost thereof?

A.—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An estimate for sinking a deep bore-well at a cost of Rs. 15,000 to serve the needs of three villages, viz., Kadambuliyur, Melamambattu and Purangani in Kadampuliyur firka has been sanctioned under the Local Development Water-Supply Works Programme for 1954-55 and the work will be taken up shortly.

Site for the construction of a sluice to "Manalthazhom Thodu", Kozhikode.

344 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government received in February last week, 1955, a mass petition from the agriculturists of Komeri desam,

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Kothali amsam and Nellikode amsam, Kozhikode taluk, requesting a change in the site of the sluice proposed to be constructed to "Manalthazhom Thodu" near Pathiyapalam, Kozhikode; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The matter has been referred to the Chief Engineer (General), Irrigation Branch, for remarks and his report is awaited.

Opening of a bus route from Ariyalur to Vikramangalam in Udaiyarpalayam taluk

345 Q.—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have recently received any memorandum from the public for opening of a bus route from Ariyalur to Vikramangalam in Udaiyarpalayam taluk; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

A.—(a) A mahazar from the public and a representation from the President, Komarasavalli Firka Common Welfare Committee, requesting provision of transport facilities to Vikramangalam and Muttuvanjeri were received by the Regional Transport Officer, Tiruchirappalli.

(b) As the Divisional Engineer (Highways) Tiruchirappalli, reported that the road between Vikramangalam and Muttuvanjeri was not fit for bus traffic, the Regional Transport Authority proposed the opening of a new route from Ariyalur to Vikramangalam; but this proposal of the Regional Transport Authority was not approved by the Chairman of the Central Road Traffic Board as the new route covered only fourteen miles. The Chairman of the Central Road Traffic Board, however, suggested the grant of variation of the route Musiri to Ariyalur as Musiri to Vikramangalam via Ariyalur and accordingly a bus is now plying from Musiri to Vikramangalam from 1st May 1955.

Wells constructed under the Rural Welfare Scheme in the South Arcot district.

346 Q.—SRI A. MUTHUSWAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of wells constructed under the Rural Welfare Scheme in various taluks of the South Arcot district; and

(b) the number of wells constructed for Harijans out of the wells under clause (a)?

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A.—(a) 58 wells have been constructed.

(b) Out of the 58 wells, 23 wells have been constructed for Harijans.

House-site granted to Harijans in Tirukkoyilur taluk.

347 Q.—SRI A. MUTHUSWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) how many house-sites were granted to Harijans in Tirukkoyilur taluk in the year 1953–54; and

(b) how many of these sites were occupied by the Harijans villagewar?

A.—(a) Nil.

(b) Does not arise.

Grievances of the Malabar District Board Elementary School Teachers.

348 Q.—SRI K. M. SEETHI SAHIB : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representation from the Malabar District Board Elementary School Teachers' Union setting forth the immediate demands of the Elementary School Teachers regarding the conditions of service,

(b) what those demands are; and

(c) what action the Government have taken or propose to take on the said demands?

A.—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement^a is placed on the table of the House.

(c) They are being examined.

Harijan Co-operative Societies functioning in the State.

349 Q.—SRI O. KORAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Harijan Co-operative Societies functioning in the State;

(b) the amount of share capital collected; and

(c) the amount of loan distributed to the members in 1954?

A.—(a) 959

(b) Rs. 3,83,281.

(c) Rs. 5,61,868.

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Hotel Workers' Unions in the State.

350 Q.—SRI T. V. SANNASI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Hotel Workers' Unions in the State, districtwar, with their registration numbers;

(b) whether their accounts are audited as per Indian Trade Unions Act;

(c) whether any of the Hotel Workers' Union did not send their audited accounts for the year 1953-54;

(d) if so, how many and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the action taken by the Government against the Unions which failed to send their accounts?

A.—(a)

District.	Number of hotel workers' unions in the district.		The register number of the unions.
(1)	(2)	(3)	
South Arcot	1	1859	
North Arcot	2	1622 and 1748	
Coimbatore	3	571, 1844 and 1862.	
Madras	1	842	
Madurai	2	359 and 1678	
Malabar	1	1645	
The Nilgiris	1	859	
Ramanathapuram	1	1781	
South Kanara	1	1209	
Salem	1	1817	
Tanjore	1	1426	
Tiruchirappalli	2	1751 and 1763	

(b) Yes.

(c) & (d) Five unions failed to send the annual return. No reasons were given by the Unions concerned.

(e) The registration of four Unions was cancelled by the Registrar of Trade Unions. The cancellation of the registration of the fifth Union—Register No. 1622, is under the consideration of the Registrar.

Single-teacher schools sanctioned for Coimbatore district.

351 Q.—SRI A. SENAPATHI GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many single-teacher schools were allotted to Coimbatore district; and

(b) how many of them have been actually started?

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A.—(a) Three hundred and twenty-six, Sir.

101 (b) All of them, Sir.

Sandalwood from Government and private forests.

352 Q.—SRI K. PARTHASARATHY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the quantity and value of sandalwood obtained from Government forests from the year 1952; and

(b) the quantity of sandalwood obtained from private forests during the above period?

A.—

Year.	Quantity.	Value. RS.
(a) 1952 ..	966 tons	25,24,895
1953 ..	967 „	28,60,690
1954 ..	1,195 „	36,93,821

(b) The information is not readily available.

Drinking water wells for Harijans in Malabar.

353 Q.—SRI O. KORAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of wells ordered by the Government to be dug in Malabar for the years 1952 to 1955 for the use of Harijans for drinking purposes;

(b) the number of wells dug so far; and

(c) whether the Government have any proposal under consideration to dig wells in Tarur, Muthalamada, Alathur Firka, Palghat taluk, Malabar district?

A.—(a) Forty-two.

(b) Sixteen.

(c) No; the construction of a well in Tarur amsam was sanctioned in the year 1951 under Harijan Welfare works and a part of it has been completed.

Village chavadis in the Coimbatore district.

354 Q.—SRI A. SENAPATHI GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of village chavadis in the Coimbatore district;

(b) how many of them are in ruins;

(c) how many of them require repairs and at what estimated cost;

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(d) the annual allotment under this head made to the district from 1946 to 1954 for this purpose year-wise; and

(e) the amount spent by the Collector towards repairs and removal of chavadis each year from 1946 to 1954?

A.—(a) Ninety-three.

(b) Seven.

(c) Forty; the estimated cost of the repairs is Rs. 27,585.

(d) & (e)

Year. (1)	Amount allotted. (2)			Amount spent. (3)		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1946-47	2,855	0	0	1,971	9	0
1947-48	932	0	0	932	0	0
1948-49	2,659	0	0	2,659	0	0
1949-50	3,065	0	0	3,539	0	0
195 -51	3,420	0	0	3,248	0	0
1951-52	9,565	0	0	7,067	0	0
1952-53	5,025	0	0	4,984	0	0
1953-54	1,854	0	0	1,689	1	0

Loan applications for land improvement in Dharapuram taluk.

355 Q.—SRI A. SENAPATHI GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of loan applications for land improvement received in Dharapuram taluk, Coimbatore district, during 1952, 1953 and 1954;

(b) how many of these were disposed of within the fasli;

(c) how many of them were pending for over six months and one year at the end of the years 1952, 1953 and 1954; and

(d) what steps have been taken to ensure quick disposal of loan applications?

A.—The particulars are furnished below :—

(a) Number of applications received during the years—

1952.	1953.	1954.
13,724	1,384	1,430

(b) Number of applications disposed of during the years—

1952.	1953.	1954.
10,682	1,964	1,392

(c) Number of applications pending at the end of the years—

Over six months.			Over one year.		
1952.	1953.	1954.	1952.	1953.	1954.
119	56	1	2		

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- (d) The Government have already issued instructions to the effect that applications for loans should be disposed of expeditiously. The Revenue Divisional Officer has inspected the Loans Branch in the Taluk office periodically. The Collector has also inspected this branch and the pendency and delays have been checked effectively.

Irregular irrigation from the Amaravathi river channels in Dharapuram taluk.

356 Q.—SRI A. SENAPATHI GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the average annual yield of paddy and other grains in the ayacut under the Amaravathi river channel in Dharapuram taluk at the beginning of 1954;

(b) whether it is a fact that the crops harvested in February-March 1954 in the lower ayacut of this area were not affected for want of water;

(c) whether it is a fact that when there was surplus water and when foodcrops were raised in that period the maximum penalty was levied by the Tahsildar of Dharapuram;

(d) the total acreage brought to No. 6 account by the Tahsildar, Dharapuram, in 1953-54 and the total penalty levied by him;

(e) which is the department that should issue water-ticket to use surplus water for raising a second crop in single-crop wet lands under the Amaravathi river channels in Dharapuram taluk, Coimbatore district;

(f) the number of water-tickets granted in this area during the period from 1950 to 1954; and

(g) whether the Collector of Coimbatore had converted dry lands into wet lands in Udamalpet and Dharapuram taluks under the Amaravathi river channels from the year 1948 up to 1954?

A.—(a) The average annual yield ranges from 8 annas to 11 annas.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Extension of irrigation from the Amaravathi river and its channels is prohibited. Penalties on irregular irrigation were levied according to rules.

(d) 1,937.51 acres and Rs. 73,022-4-0 respectively.

(e) Water-ticket is not issued in these cases.

(f) No water-tickets were granted in the area during the period.

(g) No, Sir.

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Wells sunk in 1954 in Dharapuram taluk.

357 Q.—SRI A. SENAPATHI GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of wells sunk in 1954 under the various New Well Subsidy schemes in Dharampuram taluk, Coimbatore district;

(b) how many of the wells have been treated as completed; and

(c) how many cases have been referred to the Collector for orders?

A.—(a) 146.

(b) 146.

(c) 36.

Subdivision of fields in Erode and Dharapuram taluks.

358 Q.—SRI A. SENAPATHI GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many applications were received for the subdivision of fields in Erode and Dharapuram taluks during the years 1952–54 and how many were sanctioned in each year; and

(b) the steps taken to dispose of these applications quickly?

A.—(a) & (b)

	Dharapuram taluk.		Erode taluk.	
	1952–53.	1953–54.	1952–53.	1953–54.
1 Number of applications received during the year.	76	29	50	52
2 Number of applications disposed of during the year.	64	29	31	30

The twelve applications which were pending in Dharapuram taluk at the end of 1952–53 were disposed of during 1953–54. The balance of applications which were pending in Erode taluk were rejected and no application relating to the years 1952–53 and 1953–54 is pending now.

Paper mills in the State.

359 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the tonnage of production in paper mills in the State;

(b) whether permission was sought in 1954 to open new mills;

(c) if so, by whom, when and to open in what places;

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- (d) to whom permission was granted;
- (e) the availability of raw materials in the State; and
- (f) the steps, if any, taken to grow Salai and Maharukh trees in the State to provide raw materials?

A.—(a) The only paper mill in the State at Umayalpuram in Tirumayam taluk in Tiruchirappalli district has not been working for the past two years.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) & (d) Do not arise.

(e) The following are the raw materials required for paper manufacture:—

- (1) any substance containing plenty of cellulose like bamboo, wood, cotton, reeds, grass, bagasse, rags, waste paper, cotton waste and tailor's cuttings;
- (2) chemicals like lime, caustic soda, soda ash, chlorine, sulphur, sodium sulphate, ferric alumina, aluminium sulphate;
- (3) rosin and clay;
- (4) coal; and
- (5) water.

Bamboo and soft woods are available in Malabar and the Nilgiris and eta reeds in the Papanasam area; caustic soda is produced at Mettur; soda ash will be available from a factory which is being established at Tuticorin; chlorine is available at Mettur and clay and lignite will be available from Neyveli.

- (f) Separate plantations of salai (*Beswellia scrreta*) and Maharukh (*Ailanthus Excelsa*) are not being raised in the State. But *Ailanthus Excelsa* is one of the soft wood species which are being raised to meet the requirements of plywood and match industries.

Polytechnic schools in the State.

360 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

- (a) the number of Polytechnic schools opened in 1953, 1954 and 1955 (up to March 15th) in the State;
- (b) places of opening; and
- (c) the number opened in (i) Tiruchirappalli district and (ii) Pudukkottai area during the said years?

A.—(a) & (b) No Polytechnic or Industrial School was opened by Government in the years 1953, 1954 and 1955 (up to March 15th) in this State. But one private Polytechnic was opened at Tiruchirappalli in 1954. In

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addition, five technical schools were also opened at the following places during the years indicated against each :—

Pollachi	...	...	...	...	1953
Perambur	...	...	...	...	1954
Cannanore	...	...	...	...	1955
Madurai	...	...	...	...	1955
Tirunelveli	...	...	...	...	1955

(c) One private Polytechnic was opened in Tiruchirappalli district in 1954, but none in Pudukkottai area.

Expenditure and revenue of the Forest department.

361 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the expenditure on the Forest Department (1) Establishment and (2) Public Utility, in Pudukkottai Division of Tiruchirappalli district for the financial years 1953–54 and 1954–55; and

(b) the income for the above periods?

A.—(a) (1) The expenditure on establishment in Pudukkottai division during 1953–54 was Rs. 28,539–7–0 and during 1954–55 (up to the end of February 1955) Rupees 26,103–1–6.

(2) The expenditure on public utility (that is, expenditure on works) during 1953–54 was Rs. 12,321–3–0 and during 1954–55 (up to the end of February 1955), Rs. 13,706–1–0.

(b) The income during the same period was—

	RS.	A.	P.
1953–54	33,101	5	3
1954–55 (up to the end of February 1955).	24,124	12	6

Personnel of the Forest Utilization Advisory Board.

362 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the personnel of the Forest Utilization Advisory Board?

A.—The personnel of the present Forest Utilization Advisory Board is as follows :—

President.

The Minister for Agriculture.

Secretary (Ex-officio).

Conservator of Forests, Development Circle, Madras

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*Members.**(a) Official—*

- (1) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Madras.
- (2) The Chief Engineer (Buildings), Madras.
- (3) The Chief Engineer (Electricity), Madras.
- (4) The Director of Industries and Commerce, Madras.
- (5) The Director of Agriculture, Madras.
- (6) The Dean, Hospital and College of Indigenous Medicine, Madras.
- (7) Dr. P. S. Chowdry, Leather Trade Institute (Farming), Madras.
- (8) Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department.

(b) Representing other Governments, etc.—

- (1) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Mysore.
- (2) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Travancore-Cochin, Trivandrum.
- (3) The Principal, Forest College, Coimbatore.
- (4) The Chief Engineer, Southern Railways, Madras.
- (5) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra State, Madras.

(c) Non-official—

- (1) Sri S. Chellam Ayyar, South Indian Saw Mills, Kallai, Kozhikode.
- (2) Sri A. K. Kader Kutty, Western Indian Plywood, Limited, Baliapatam.
- (3) Dr. V. I. Mannadiar, Palghat.
- (4) The President, The Sivakasi Chamber of Match Industries, Sivakasi.
- (5) Sri S. Seshachalam, Messrs. Curzon & Co., Mount Road, Madras.
- (6) Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar, M.L.A., Advocate, Telli-cherry.

Forest Advisory Committee, Pudukkottai subdivision.

363 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether a Forest Advisory Committee has been constituted for the Pudukkottai subdivision of Tiruchirappalli district;

(b) the personnel of the Committee; and

(c) (i) the recommendations of the Committee,

(ii) the number of meetings held, and

(iii) the expenditure on this behalf since its formation?

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A.—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Personnel of the Committee—

Official Members—

- (1) Sub-Collector, Pudukkottai, Ex-officio President.
- (2) Tahsildar, Alangudi, Ex-officio Member.
- (3) Range Officer, Pudukkottai, Ex-officio Secretary.

Non-official Members—

- (4) Sri V. S. Ganapathi Sastrigal, Vakil, Alangudi taluk.
- (5) Sri Arunachala Ambalagarar, Alangudi taluk.
- (6) Sri S. V. Arunachala Thevar, Kulathur taluk.
- (7) Sri Nallaswami Chettiar, Kulathur taluk.
- (8) Sri Ramasrinivasan Chettiar of Royavaram, Tirumayam taluk.

(c) (i)—

- (a) To open manure leaves coupes in Pudukkottai Range,
- (b) to sell Kayam dry leaves on payment of seigniorage fees 8 annas per cartload as was in force in the Durbar's time of Pudukkottai State,
- (c) to make a condition in the fuel coupe sale notice that the fuel coupe contractors of Pudukkottai shall open a fuel depot in the Pudukkottai town.

(ii) Three.

(iii) Nil.

Constitution and functions of the Forest Utilization Advisory Board.

364 Q.—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to place on the table of the House with reference to the answer to a supplementary question to question No. 1415, answered on 17th March 1955 the rules relating to the constitution and the functions of the Forest Utilization Advisory Board and the names of the members of the Board recently constituted?

A.—(i) The Forest Utilization Advisory Board was constituted with a view to ensure the development of a co-ordinated forest policy in South India.

(ii) The functions of the Board are—

- (a) to maintain close touch with the Forest Research Institute through the Central Advisory Board;

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- (b) to make known to the public interested in the subject, the technical and economic advantages and methods of using timber and other forest produce for various purposes;
 - (c) to collect and disseminate statistical and other information relating to the availability of timber and other forest produce in the Province;
 - (d) to take suitable action to have timber engineering and wood preservation taught in engineering and technical colleges;
 - (e) to promote to the maximum extent the interests of the timber and forest products, producer and consumer.
 - (f) to start work to build up gradually a permanent timber and forest products demonstration exhibition in Madras and preferably also at Coimbatore;
 - (g) to investigate the possibilities of improving existing and starting new forest cottage industries;
 - (h) to advise on the export and import quotas and controls necessary;
 - (i) to advise on the specifications up to which timber and forest products should be graded before marketing in order to ensure permanent export and internal markets; and
 - (j) to advise on the measure of licensing required for existing and new forest industries so as to secure that every unit has a reasonable supply of raw materials within economic reach.
- (iii) The official and non-official members of the Forest Utilization Advisory Board reconstituted in October 1954 are—

*President.***The Minister for Agriculture.***Secretary (Ex-officio).***The Conservator of Forests, Development Circle, Madras.***Members.**(a) Officials—*

- (1) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Madras.
- (2) The Chief Engineer (Buildings), Madras.
- (3) The Chief Engineer (Electricity), Madras.
- (4) The Director of Industries and Commerce, Madras.
- (5) The Director of Agriculture, Madras.
- (6) The Dean, Hospital and College of Indigenous Medicine, Madras.

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- (7) Dr. P. S. Chowdry, Leather Trade Institute (Farming), Madras.
- (8) The Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department.

(b) *Representing other Governments, etc.—*

- (1) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Mysore.
- (2) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Travancore-Cochin, Trivandrum.
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- (4) The Chief Engineer, Southern Railways, Madras.
- (5) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra State, Madras.

(c) *Non-officials—*

- (1) Sri S. Chellam Ayyar, South Indian Saw Mills, Kallai, Kozhikode.
- (2) Sri A. K. Kader Kutty, Western India Plywood, Limited, Baliapatam.
- (3) Dr. V. I. Mannadiar, Palghat.
- (4) The President, The Sivakasi Chamber of Match Industries, Sivakasi.
- (5) Sri C. Seshachalam, Messrs. Curzon & Co., Mount Road, Madras.
- (6) Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar, M.L.A., Advocate, Telli-cherry.

Arecanut cultivation in the State.

365 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of arecanut cultivation in the State in the current year 1954-55; and

(b) the annual yield expected?

A.—(a) The estimated area under arecanut in this State during the year 1954-55 is 117,330 acres.

(b) The estimated yield during the same year is 27,150 tons of husked and cured nuts.

Local Development Schemes in Tiruchendur taluk.

366 Q.—SRI C. KANDASAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the schemes sanctioned for Tiruchendur taluk, Tirunelveli district, under the Local Development Scheme;

(b) the dates of the respective sanctions;

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(c) whether any works have been taken up for execution in the taluk without prior sanction;

(d) whether contracts were given for any of the works and, if so, by whom and on what dates and to whom;

(e) whether tenders were called for, for the execution of such works;

(f) whether all the lands required were acquired or received before starting the work;

(g) whether the District Board of Tirunelveli paid a contribution for any of the works; and

(h) if so, whether such payment was made before the starting of the work?

A.—(a), (b) & (d) A statement^a giving the information is enclosed.

(c) In order to spend the entire allotment, certain road and well works were started after the alignment was determined by the Assistant Engineer and the sites for wells approved, in anticipation of sanction of estimates. The estimates were prepared while the works were in progress and approved by the technical authorities and the Collector, before any payment was made for the work.

(e) Tenders were not called for, for the execution of the works, as they were all entrusted to the nominees of the beneficiaries.

(f) The owners of lands required for the formation of roads, etc., relinquished their lands, before the works were started.

(g) & (h) The District Board, Tirunelveli, has contributed for all the works except the Rural Water-supply works and the construction of a Maternity Ward in the Local Fund Hospital, Sattankulam. It deposits lump-sums as and when required for payment.

Hospitals provincialized in 1954.

367 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the number of hospitals provincialized in 1954 and the improvements effected after they were taken over by the Government?

A.—Two medical institutions were provincialized during 1954, viz., the Local Fund Dispensary, Arni, North Arcot district, and the Municipal Hospital, Bodinayakanur, Madurai district. No improvements were effected to these institutions.

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Grievances of the Non-Gazetted Officers.

368 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether a deputation on behalf of the Non-Gazetted Officers' Association met the Chief Minister on 10th March 1955 at the Secretariat and presented a memorandum regarding their service conditions; and

(b) what are the main demands of the deputationists and whether any of them have been met?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The main demands of the deputationists are as follows :—

- (1) Appointment of a non-official commission presided over by a High Court Judge with representation for the Non-Gazetted Government Officers' Association to go into the question of revision of pay scales and dearness allowance, merging the latter in full with pay and other service conditions.
- (2) Formation of a committee of enquiry with due representation to the Non-Gazetted Government Officers' Association to go into the question of revision of Governments Servants' Conduct Rules and Personal File system.
- (3) Construction of quarters by Government by encouraging the co-operative building societies among Government servants.
- (4) Appointment of a committee with representation to the Association to make the medical concessions to Government servants really effective.
- (5) Grant of subsidy or interest-free loans to relieve indebtedness as interim relief.

The demands are being examined by the Departments of Government.

Dramas and performances prohibited under the Dramatic Performances Act, 1954.

369 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state how many dramas and how many performances were prohibited under the Dramatic Performances Act, 1954, since it came into force?

A.—No drama or performance was prohibited under the Dramatic Performances Act, 1954, since it came into force. In Tanjore, one performance was prohibited pending production of the script under section 9 of the Dramatic Performances Act, 1954.

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Village officers acting as Postmasters and Stamp-vendors in the State.

370 Q.—SRI K. V. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of village officers acting as Postmasters and stamp-vendors with the permission of the Government in the State; and

(b) the total number of village officers in the State?

A.—(a) As village officers are part-time Government servants and are free to take up other remunerative work in addition to their regular duties with the permission of the superior officers, it is likely that the number of village officers who are acting as Branch Postmasters and stamp-vendors is large. The Government therefore consider that the time and labour involved in the collection of the information required by the Member will not be commensurate with the benefit likely to be derived thereby.

(b) 25,660.

Appointment of Assistant Commercial Tax Officers.

371 Q.—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many persons from the Department were recommended for selection for appointment as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers in April 1954 by the Departmental officers and how many of them were selected;

(b) whether later in the year, persons from other departments were given training as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers;

(c) whether there were enough vacancies to absorb all the trainees; and

(d) whether it is a fact that probationers had to be reverted and persons with 7 or 8 years of service had to be discharged for want of vacancies?

A.—(a) Forty persons were recommended by the departmental officers for selection as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers in 1954–55 and nineteen persons were selected.

(b) Yes. From the Madras Revenue Subordinate Service, Civil Supplies Department and from the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).

(c) There were not enough vacancies to absorb all the trainees.

(d) No. Two departmental persons who had been appointed temporarily as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers were reverted to provide for the candidates

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regularly selected and appointed as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers. They have been since re-appointed as Assistant Commercial Tax Officers.

District Irrigation Conference, Malabar.

372 Q.—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state the names of the Members of the Malabar District Irrigation Conference?

A.—The holding of half-yearly District Irrigation Conferences in Malabar has been discontinued temporarily till the major irrigation projects in the district have all been executed and the need for the holding of such conferences is felt. The question does not therefore arise.

Rent Court, Cannanore.

373 Q.—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications filed in the Rent Court, Cannanore, till now;

(b) the number of petitions tried; and

(c) the number of petitions rejected?

A.—(a) 3,417 applications up to 20th April 1955.

(b) 631.

(c) 67.

Agriculturists' Loans under the National Extension Scheme.

374 Q.—SRI S. R. ARUMUGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many applications were received from the agriculturists of Palladam and Kangayam blocks for loans available under the National Extension Scheme from January to December 1954; and

(b) the number of applications sanctioned and the amount so far given as loans?

A.—(a) Palladam—264.

Kangayam—1,050.

(b) Number of applications sanctioned—

Palladam—261.

Kangayam—274.

Amount so far given—

Palladam—Rs. 29,790.

Kangayam—Rs. 31,890.

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*Development works under the First Five-Year Plan in
Udayarpalayam taluk.*

375 Q.—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the various development works undertaken and completed in Udayarpalayam taluk, Tiruchirappalli district, under the First Five-Year Plan; and

(b) the works programmed to be completed in the same taluk within the above Plan period.

A.—(a) & (b) The First Five-Year Plan was drawn up taking into consideration the needs of the State as a whole and has not been broken up into taluk plans. The attention of the Member is invited to the reply to starred question No. 1389, which was answered on 16th March 1954.

*Development works under the First Five-Year Plan in
Perambalur taluk.*

376 Q.—SRI N. PARAMASIVA UDAYAR: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the various development works till now undertaken and completed under the First Five-Year Plan in Perambalur taluk, Tiruchirappalli district; and

(b) the works programmed to be completed within the First Five-Year Plan period in the same taluk?

A.—(a) & (b) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to unstarred question No. 375 by Sri K. R. Viswanathan, M.L.A.

Mobile libraries in the State.

377 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of mobile libraries in the State; and

(b) the expenditure incurred on them?

A.—(a) There are no mobile libraries functioning in the State.

(b) Does not arise.

*Aid under the State-Aid to Industries Act in Pudukkottai
division.*

378 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the names of applicants who applied for aid under the State-Aid to Industries Act in 1954 and 1955 in Pudukkottai division, Tiruchirappalli district;

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- (b) the industries seeking aid;
- (c) the quantum of aid sought by each applicant; and
- (d) the number of applications granted?

A.—(a) No application for aid under the State-Aid to Industries Act was received during the years 1954 and 1955 (from 1st January 1954 to 16th May 1955) from Pudukkottai division, Tiruchirappalli district.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Loans under the State-Aid to Industries Act.

379 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the amount of loans sanctioned to the various companies in the State under the State-Aid to Industries Act from 1950 to 1954;

(b) the amount recovered from these companies so far; and

(c) the number of companies that are unable to repay the loans?

A.—(a) & (b) A statement^a is appended.

(c) The following five companies have defaulted in repayment of the instalments of loans due:—

- (1) The Madras Vanaspathi, Limited, Villupuram, South Arcot district (item 3 of the statement).
- (2) The Purnima Straw Board and Paper Mills, Ltd., Moodbidri (item 16 of the statement).
- (3) The Vegetable Oil Products, Ltd., Pollachi, Coimbatore district (item 18 of the statement).
- (4) Sri L. S. Perez, Proprietor, Associated Knitting and Cottage Industries, Chingleput district (item 19 of the statement).
- (5) Fine Hose Manufacturers' Syndicate, Madras (item 22 of the statement).

Grant of house-sites to Harijans of Kammapuram in Vriddhachalam taluk.

380 Q.—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many petitions were received in 1954 by the Government from the Harijans of Kammapuram in Vriddhachalam taluk for the grant of house-sites to them; and

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay in granting them house-sites?

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A.—(a) & (b) No applications were received in 1954. In 1955, 14 Harijans jointly applied for assignment of house-sites. Individual applications are being obtained from them for further action.

Rehabilitation of ex-servicemen in small-scale industries.

381 Q.—SRI S. R. ARUMUGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government are contemplating any scheme to rehabilitate ex-servicemen in small-scale industries like making of agricultural implements; and

(b) if so, whether the schemes have been finalised and when the industries are going to be started?

A.—(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Wells for Harijans in South Kanara.

382 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of wells dug for Harijans in South Kanara in 1954–55 talukwar;

(b) the number of wells repaired for Harijans in 1954–55; and

(c) the amount spent on these works?

A.—(a) to (c) The information is furnished in the statement below :—

Serial number and name of the taluk.	Number of wells dug for Harijans in the South Kanara district for the year 1954–55			Number of wells repaired for Harijans in 1954–55.		
	Number of wells dug.	Expenditure incurred.		Number of wells repaired.	Expenditure incurred.	
(1)	(2)	(3)		(4)	(5)	
		RS. A. P.			RS. A. P.	
1 Mangalore	1	189 0 0		3	5,695 0 0	
2 Karkal	3	6,368 0 0		..	.. ..	
3 Kasaragod	5	1,999 0 0		6	8,330 0 0	
4 Puttur	..			..		
5 Udupi	..			1	175 0 0	
6 Belthangady	..			..		
7 Coondapur	..			..		
Total ..	9	8,556 0 0		10	14,200 0 0	

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Ministers' tours.

383 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the number of days on which each Minister was on tour and the travelling allowance drawn by them from 1st April 1954 to 31st March 1955?

A.—The number of days toured and the amount of travelling allowance drawn by each Minister for the period from 1st April 1954 to 31st March 1955 are as detailed below :—

Serial number and designation of the Minister.	Number of days toured for the period from 1st April 1954 to 31st March 1955.	Travelling allowance drawn.		
		(3)		
	(2)	RS.	A.	P.
1 Chief Minister	94	3,847	11	0
2 Minister for Finance and Education.	84	2,357	11	0
3 Minister for Agriculture	142	8,104	5	0
4 Minister for Health	64	4,556	1	6
5 Minister for Local Administration	62	3,810	8	0
6 Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport.	38	1,804	6	0
7 Minister for Works	44	4,661	13	0
8 Minister for Revenue	99	5,393	2	0

Stay-in strikes in textile mills.

384 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

- the number of stay-in strikes during 1954 in textile mills;
- the number of occasions the Police intervened;
- the reasons for the strikes; and
- the steps taken by the Government to prevent the strikes?

A.—(a) Sixty-four.

(b) Ten.

(c) & (d) A statement ^a is appended.

Industrial Tribunals in the State.

385 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

- whether there is any proposal to abolish some of the Tribunals constituted for industrial workers in the State; and
- if so, the number of such tribunals?

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A.—(a) Prior to 1st April 1955, there were three Industrial Tribunals functioning at Madras, Coimbatore and at Madurai. The Government, after careful consideration of the number of pending industrial disputes and the number of industrial disputes adjudicated upon by the three Industrial Tribunals, have reduced the number of Tribunals from three to two. The Industrial Tribunal, Madurai, has been abolished with effect from 1st April 1955. The Industrial Tribunal, Madras, adjudicates all disputes in the City of Madras and in the districts of Chingleput, South Arcot, Tanjore, Tiruchirappalli, Madurai, Ramanathapuram and Tirunelveli, while the Industrial Tribunal at Coimbatore adjudicates disputes in the districts of North Arcot, Salem, Coimbatore, Malabar, South Kanara and the Nilgiris, with effect from 1st April 1955. There is no proposal at present to further reduce the number of Industrial Tribunals.

(b) Does not arise.

Grievances of textile workers in the State.

386 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether a list of demands was submitted to the Government during March 1955 with regard to basic wage, dearness allowance, bonus, etc., by the textile workers in the State; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

A.—(a) & (b) A copy of the resolutions adopted by the delegates of 18 textile unions in the conference held at Madras on the 24th to 26th February 1955 containing several demands regarding basic wages, dearness allowance, etc., was received by the Government. In accordance with the above resolution, the textile unions in Coimbatore, Pollachi, North Arcot, Pudukkottai and Madurai have presented their charter of demands to the management of the textile mills in their areas and sent copies to the Labour Officers. The reaction of the managements to the demands is being watched.

Staff in the Medical and Surgical Wards of the Headquarters Hospital, Palayamkottai.

387 Q.—SRI R. S. ARUMUGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the strength of the staff in the Medical and Surgical Wards of the Headquarters Hospital, Palayamkottai;

(b) the number of beds in these wards; and

(c) how many in-patients have been provided with cots with beds?

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A.—(a) There are six doctors (including four honoraries), four nurses, five nursing orderlies and four totis in the Medical wards and eight doctors (including five honoraries), six nurses, seven nursing orderlies and four totis in the Surgical wards.

(b) & (c) There are 53 beds in the Medical wards and 109 beds in the Surgical wards. Patients admitted over and above those numbers are provided with mat-beds on the floor.

Appointment of Schools Assistants.

388 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many persons were appointed as School-Assistants in the year 1954–55 (i) by direct recruitment and (ii) by promotion; and

(b) how many persons acting as School-Assistants were reverted during the same period?

A.—(a) (i) Number of persons appointed as School-Assistants by direct recruitment—Nil.

(ii) Number of persons so appointed by promotion—6.

(b) 3.

[Note.—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—PUBLICATION IN THE PARLIAMENT OF A REPORT SENT TO THE UNION GOVERNMENT BY THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE, MADRAS STATE.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—“ Mr. Speaker, Sir, during the last session, while answering a question put by the hon. Member Sri Narayana Kurup on the 5th March or so, if I remember aright, the Hon. the Finance Minister said that the Report sent to the Union Government by the Inspector-General of Police, Madras State, could not be placed on the table of House. Some Members on this side pointed out that that Report had been circulated among the Members of the Lok Sabha and they wanted a ruling from the Chair. The ruling was not given then. May I request you, Sir, to give the ruling? ”

MR. SPEAKER :—“ Before giving my ruling, I want to know what the Hon. Minister wants to say on this matter. Let not Members think that I am led by the Minister. If so, I shall straightaway give my ruling.”

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—“ We have no objection if the Hon. Minister wants to say anything.”